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Mr. John Francis Olin 1843.  
to Laura Wiers

Will you took a drop over the

A Journal of A Whaling Voyage on board  
The Ship Virginia bound to the Pacific Ocean  
Around Cape Horn Joseph Chace Master Nov 7. 1843



My







# Journal of Ship Virginia Towards the Cape Verde

Tuesday Nov 7. 1843

1

This day commences with light wind from North. at 7 am the steam boat had her steam up to take us below. at 8 o'clock she took our lines and towed us down to the light and left us. made all sail and stand out the bay nearly calm

The Tigger and Capt Luce go ashore. The ship this & mdy ahead at 1 o'clock got the Anchors on the bar and stow them at 3 o'clock the Pilot Boat runs down the Virginia hauls aback and the Pilot leaves us. with long faces. in latter part the same with all sail set steering S. West at 5 o'clock Cottlehunk rose NNE distance 7 miles so Ends this day. Oh, ~~with~~ a long road

~~~~~ Wednesday Nov 8th 1843 ~~~~~

2

This day commences with strong breezes from the W. N. West with all sail set steering South East all hands employed in fitting the Boats and Putting on chafing gear Middle and latter part the same

So Ends This 24 hours

Lyja

~~~~~ Thursday Nov 9th ~~~~~

3

This day commences with strong wind from the same quarter. ship a running ship a good deal of water some of the green hands sick

Middle and latter part the wind increases with showers of rain take in main Top galsail and main Top sail so Ends much the same all hands employed

~~~~~ Friday Nov 10. 1843 ~~~~~

4

The wind blowing on hard double reef the topsails stow the jib and furl the main sail and main top sail latter part the same very rugged

~~~~~ Saturday Nov 11. 1843 ~~~~~

5

Still continuing to blow a gale from the W. N. West the courses E S East. latter so under the same sail all hands employed in ship's duty so Ends we have the boats ready to lower in a case of emergency but not wholly fitted.



Remarks on board Ship Virginia Towards E. De Berds

6

Sunday Nov 12. 1843

This day commences with a gale from the North West running under double reefed topsails and foresail. Minor topsail hauled. at 8 Am the Captain distributes his Bibles and Testaments tract. Papers and is Middle Marche the same Latter More Moderate

7

Monday Nov 13. 1843

This day commences with light winds and thick hazy weather. Make all sail all hands employed in ships duty. Middle do Latter part the same break out the Main hatch and start a cask of Water coars S E & East all Well

8

Tuesday Nov 14th 1843

This day commences with strong breezes from the South all hands employed in breaking out the after hatchway and in the main. Latter part Freshen double reef the topsails so Ends

9

Wednesday Nov 15.

This day commences with strong breezes from the South under double reefed topsails.

Middle the same Latter More Moderate Make all sail so Ends this day saw Nothing

10

Thursday Nov 16. 1843

This day com with good weather and light winds from the South at 9 Am saw a dead sperm whale supposed to be an 80 bl whale with a fluke chain and an Iron attached to him. The Mate lowered his boat and went to him get the chain and Iron no mark on them 10 Fathoms of chain so Ends all hands Employed in fitting ships



# Journal of Ship Virginia Toward, Cape De Verde.

11

Friday Nov 17<sup>th</sup> 1843

C. W. Bell

This day commences with good weather and light wind from South all drawing sail set. saw a number of fin Backs Middle and latter the same

all hands employed at various works The Boatsteers. turned out of the Cabin into the Steerage do not know the beam, have always lived there before and shipped to now. very good

Moore

12

Saturday Nov 18<sup>th</sup> 1843

This day commences with light wind from the S East Middle moer to the Eastward tack ship. saw fin Backs.

Latter do saw a sail a brig standing to the West start a cask of Water into the scuttle but

13

Sunday Nov 19<sup>th</sup> 1843

This day commences with fine weather and light winds from N N East Middle the same saw a sail standing to the West The Captain gave his crew more peaches. Latter much the same So Ends this 2<sup>d</sup> hours

14

Monday Nov 20.

This day commences with good weather and light wind from the West. Course S. East

all hands Employed in getting up fore and Mizzen Topgallant Masts and yards. bend the sails and set them. Latter saw fin Backs. Black Fish and a sail of the lee beam. so Ends no watch below

15

Tuesday Nov 21. 1843

W. B. Bell

This day commences with light winds and frequent showers of rain the wind from the West.

all hands employed in getting steering & Booms on the yards. Bend the sails and set fore Top mast steering sail and Main Top Gall do

So Ends the wind from the West comes S East ~~Now~~ Now weeks from home to day, about 180<sup>th</sup> the time expired and we yet survive.

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11.16



1843 Ship Virginia Bound to Cape De Vreds

16

Wednesday Nov 22. 1843

This day commences with frequent showing of rain  
Wind the Wind from the West come I East all sail  
S.E. set with steering sails Middle the same  
course all hands on deck the carpenters at work at  
S.E. various jobs latter the Wind E. S. East fresh take  
In steering sails so Ends this day.

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17

Thursday Nov 23.

This day commences with strong breezes from the  
North East double reef the Topsails. got a watch below  
some thing not common. Middle and latter the same  
the watch employed at various jobs saw nothing so Ends  
by tacking ship

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18

Friday Nov 24. 1843

This day commences with good weather shake out  
Wind the reef and make sail the Wind from the South  
S.E. W. Middle part the Wind S.E. West the ship heading  
course) her course I East by I East. beat out the main hatch  
S.E. E. S. way and start a cask of water, set up Mizen to not  
stay so Ends saw nothing. all hands up this day  
knocking rope yarns

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19

Saturday Nov 25. 1843

This day commences with good weather and light Winds  
from the S.E. West set steering sails  
Middle do all hands employed fitting Riggers and  
various jobs saw fishbacks and then the ship off  
for them took them to sperm whales

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20

Sunday Nov 26

This day commences with good weather at day  
light saw a sail of the weather low steering to  
the South with fogals set.  
Middle the same saw a sail on weather beam  
so Ends this day saw no fish come S.E. South 8



# Remarks on board Ship Virginia N.B.

31

Thursday Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> 1843.

This day commences with most a calm the Starboard watch employed in breaking out the after hole in pursuit of slops. After noon all hands employed in breaking out Main hole both sides but do not find any. Commence aft again and find a cask but they are not the right one so ends this days search nothing brought about.

32

Friday December 8<sup>th</sup> 1843.

This day commences with light wind and good weather squally in the fore noon Middle and latter part the same. The watches employed in breaking out for slops find them at last so ends this day saw nothing.

33

Saturday Dec. 9. 1843

This day commences with good weather and nearly a calm the watches employed on the rigging Middle and latter the same so ends the 24 hours

34

Sunday Dec 10

This day commences with light air and fine weather Middle Calm at 2 P.M. saw Black fish lowered 3 boats and chased them until night. Starboard boat got 1 cow fish so ends this days fishing our oil nearly consumed

Blest Woman's voice whose accents mild  
From sordid motives move free  
Sweetly proclaim to Ocean's child  
Sailor there is hope for thee

A woman's angel form stands there  
Upon the sounding shore  
And answering to his whispering prayer  
She guides him home once more

Scanned by *Billie*



# Remarks onboard the Ship Virginia

35 Monday December 11. 1843

This day commences with light wind and rain  
which sets wind S.E. East heading to South West

Middle part fine latter a calm saw 3 sail of  
some S.W. Merchant men heading to the South.

so Ends No Fish Jeanette Beemore

36 Tuesday 12

This day commences with a calm 3 sail in sight  
from of deck. all hands turned to turning in the  
Main top, put back stays and setting up head stays  
and bowsprit shrouds so Ends this 24 hour

rather dull weather and no fish

37 Wednesday 13. 1843

Wind & This day commences with light wind from the  
S. East & South East some S. West

some & The watch employed on the rigging Middle part  
S. West & fairing killed a pig so ends

latter part fine Jeanette

38 Thursday 14 Dec

This day commences with strong breezes from S East  
some South West

2 sail in sight Middle part much the same  
passed the ship latter fine so Ends

Thursday Night and no Jeanette.

39 Friday Dec 15. 1843

This day continues with strong South East trade wind  
Middle part do

latter the same all during sail set  
ship much better not much doing by the truck.

40 Saturday Dec 16. 1843

This day com with strong S East breeze some S. West Middle and latter  
the same. at 12 o'clock this night heard, lost a man overboard name  
Joseph a Portugues of the Cape of Verde St Rocelos aged 18 years  
supposed jumped out of the Starboard boat in a fit or asleep  
he took an oar with him out of the boat. ship going quick ~~and~~  
I did not save him and being dark made no attempt to save him



# Capt Chase bound to Pacific Ocean.

41 ~~~~~ Sunday Dec 17. 1843. ~~~~~

This day com with strong East Trade come south West This morning at had the young deceased or lost clothes on deck an inventory taken of them not so much as a prayer bead on the occasion. Now we see that in the midst of life we are in death. What a warning to the unprepared and yet how slow we are to receive it. So prepare for a sudden death

42 ~~~~~ Monday Dec 18. ~~~~~

This day commences with strong East Trade Wind come S West The Watch employed in pulling the fore and Main Riggen.

Middle

Latter

So Ends this 24 hours no fish to be seen

43 ~~~~~ Tuesday Dec 19. ~~~~~

This day commences with good weather and light Wind from East S. East. set the steering sails Middle and latter the Watch employed in pulling down the Riggen.

Steward kills a pig for cabin

213 1/2

So Ends this 24 hours

scattered

Six weeks since I left my home & solitude.

44 ~~~~~ Wednesday Dec 20 ~~~~~

This day commences with good weather and South East Trade. all drawing sail set.

Middle fine all hands turned up to pull down the Riggen. Daring and so

So Ends a sail in sight

45 ~~~~~ Thursday Dec 21. ~~~~~

This day continues fine weather and S East Wind come south west

Middle and latter do

The Watches employed on the Riggen

Friday Dec 22. ~~~~~

46 ~~~~~

This day continues the same in the trade. com S West Middle fine

Latter fine so ends employed at ships duty pulling riggen

If I could see my family one more



# 1843 Ship Virginia Chace bound

47 ~~~~~ Saturday Dec 23. ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes from N.E. East  
steering S.W. & South

Middle fine finish taring down the rigging a fine  
chance for green hands. to make sailors of themselves  
by getting tared so Ends kill a pig

48 ~~~~~ Sunday 24. ~~~~~

This day commences with squalls and rain  
at 7 am fine set the steering sails.

Middle and Latter do

so Ends this 24 hours

Samuel M. M.

Lat 16.40 South, No washing the decks on Sunday 1843.

49 ~~~~~ Monday 25 ~~~~~

This day commences with squalls and fair wind  
from East.

Middle fine weather 2 sail in sight

Latter the same this is Christ mass day but we

see no difference. I wish my Jesus Mamma Merry over

50 ~~~~~ Tuesday 26 ~~~~~

This day commence with strong Earthly wind with all  
drowing sail set. Steering sails &c

Middle and latter fine break out the Main hatch  
way for boards to sheath the deck so Ends saw nothing

of the fish species seven weeks since I left I am with both hands up taken

51 ~~~~~ Wednesday 27 ~~~~~

This day strong South Earthly Wind Course S.W. West.

with all drowing sail set

Middle and latter the same going at the rate  
of 10 miles per hour. and have had a good  
wind since we left the Cape de Verde.

52 ~~~~~ Thursday 28. ~~~~~

This day continues the same weather and wind

Break out the after hole after corn for hogs and

for the Slop Chest for the crew

so Ends this day nothing in sight almost discouraging  
don't know what has become of the Whales

Miss Bessie  
1844



# To the Pacific Ocean Whaling 1843.

53 Friday Dec 29.

This day commences with strong breezes from E N East have made 259 miles. this last 24 hours running down the coast of Brazil Middle and latter fine.

At 2 PM saw a Man of War Brig suppose her English In pursuit of Slaves.

54 Saturday 30.

This day commences with good Wind and Weather course South by West running down the coast Middle and latter fine. get up the cutting Pennants and have the cutting falls through the Blocks struck a porpoise kill a pig. and shorten sail for night off the Rio La Plata.

55 Sunday 31.

This day commences with good Weather make all sail at 9 AM saw a sail at 2 PM spoke her the Brig Phoenix Small of Provincetown 6 Months 100 bbls the captain goes on board and her Mate comes on Board the Virginia so ends shorten sail for night. no evening meeting for me tonight.

Monday January 1st 1844.

56 This day Commences a New Year and I hope a happy one to us all Not only the Virginia people but the whole World; a Family living in Foster St in particular Number 67. green Blinds. One Front door over the other.

It is not much worse for me to work although working is a good as it ever was however I will work that is to have 1000 bbls of sperm oil the next New Year. ~~John D. Wier~~

This has been a fine day but we have seen nothing but kept a good look out. the Brig out of sight the watch employed fitting a new Boat and sundry jobs about the rigging. bought a Fiddle from the Brig. the Band will soon be formed this day ends saw no fish shorten sail for the night.

A cup of water in thy name  
And rise the wild waves mite  
If by a free heart given  
Are blessed in thy sight.



Remarks onboard of The Ship Virginia for Chace

57

Tuesday January 2d 1844, 8 weeks from home to day  
This day commences with good weather Make all  
sail at daylight. heading N. East  
Middle tacked Ship heads Westward.  
So Ends this day shorten sail for the night  
we see not to see any Whales

58

Wednesday Jan 3. 1844.  
This day commences with strong breezes from South  
saw a brig of the lee beam.  
Middle saw a sail a head and spoke her the  
Wm Baker of Warren 57 days out no oil  
Later the same shorten sail for the night

59

Thursday Jan 4.  
This day commences with strong breezes Make  
sail with single reefed Topsails  
Middle do heading to the Westward  
Later squally so Ends by taking sail for night  
saw nothing

60

Friday Jan 5.  
This day com with squalls of rain Clew up the  
Main topsail and stow the jib.  
the Watch catching rain water and filling casks  
Later good weather Take in fore and Main topsails  
60 days out and have not seen the spout of a sperm Whale

61

Saturday Jan 6  
This morning good weather Make all sail heading  
to the South West.  
Middle and latter the same saw greenfishes  
killed a pig and saw a brig  
So Ends this 24 hours

62

Sunday Jan 7. 1844.  
This day commences with good weather Make  
all sail as usual heading South West  
Middle calm. Later the same saw nothing  
so Ends have not seen the spout of a sperm Whale  
yet and 62 days out



Bound To the Pacific Ocean Whaling Jan 1844

63 ~~~~~ Monday Jan 8. 1844. ~~~~~

This day commences with light Wind from the East  
breat out fore and Main holes for Sails. bend New fore  
and Main sails. and New Main Topsail so Ends  
by short wing sail for Night saw nothing

64 ~~~~~ Tuesday Jan 9. ~~~~~

This day commences light Wind from N. East  
set Steering sails. and unbent the Main and Mizen Top  
Gall sails and Mend them and bend them up again  
so Ends carry sail through the Night to South.

65 ~~~~~ Wednesday 10 ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes from S East took  
ship at 7 A.M. Middle Wind shifted to the North Steer-  
ing S. West by South with steering sail so Ends with plenty  
of Birds in sight and No Whales

Jeannette and Murriet

66 ~~~~~ Thursday 11. ~~~~~

This day come with strong Wind and squalls of Rain take  
in Steering sails and Shorten sail down to double reef  
Main Topsail and Reefed fore sail  
so Ends with a gale

a Jeannette



67 ~~~~~ Friday 12. ~~~~~

This day more Moderate set single Reefed topsails at 9  
a.m. close Reef the topsails. and Reef the Mainsail  
so Ends blowing hard



68 ~~~~~ Saturday 13. ~~~~~

Still blowing a gale from West S West under double Reefed  
Main topsail and fore sail Main Spruce and  
close Mizen and T. Top Mast stay sail





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62 *San Sunday Dec 14<sup>th</sup> 1844.*

This day com with strong breezes under double reefed  
topsails. Middle More Moderate Make sail set  
Main top gall sail whole top sails.  
struck a porpoise south

So Ends this good Sunday Lat 42.50

63 *San Monday 15*

This day commences with strong breezes from both at 8 AM saw  
a sail at 9 she backed her Main yards and loosed her  
boats 7 miles to Windward of us. Virginia beating to Windward  
at 12 came up with ship. The Iris Spooner in chase of a sperm  
whale at 2 PM saw the whale down boats and chased until night No go

64 *San Tuesday 16*

This day com with strong breezes under short sail  
double reefed topsails

Middle the same Wind & West Toak In Main Top  
and Main sail to Ends saw nothing

Howing very hard. Heavy sea running

65 *San Wednesday Dec 17*

This day More Moderate set single reefed topsails  
Middle the same very cold

Lat 40 heading West by South break out for better

O Cracker what hard Luck

A hard road to travel Scamette

66 *San Thursday Dec 18.*

This day com with strong breezes from the North Make all sail  
with steering sails come S. West. Middle saw a whale  
called him a Right Whale. At 2 PM com with squalls and  
shortened sail down to close reefed Main Top sail and  
reefed foresail. So Ends cold for the season

67 *San Friday Dec 19. 1844.*

This day Moderate Make sail saw a sail on the west  
low Middle calm. Kill a sick dog and throw it overboard  
Late light Wind from the East So Ends

O Scamette for another

With many a kiss and kind embrace my parting was full tender

and pledging off to meet again we tore ourselves asunder. Scamette for another



# 1844 To the Pacific Ocean 1844.

75 ~~~~~ Saturday Dec 20. ~~~~~

This day com with good Weather rather cool a sail on the Weather  
 quarter at 11 am the fore Topsail & the parted & repaired it and set sail  
 At 12 saw a sail running down before the Wind spoke her the America of  
 Stonington 16 Mo out 22000 whale sent letters home by her till a boy  
 I wish ever to have the good luck to get any Whales. Seemeth

76 ~~~~~ Sunday 21. Jan ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes under double  
 reefed Topsails a sail off Lee quarter an one off Lee bow  
 Middle the same Letter at 4 P M heavy squall take in  
 sail down to close reefed Main Top sail Main stay sail  
 Main spencer and 2 Top Mast stay sail so Ends



77 ~~~~~ Monday 22. 1844. ~~~~~

This day stiff Breeze with double reefed sails.  
 Middle More Moderate Make all sail. Letter fresh  
 breezes take in Top gal sails heading South East  
 Letter the same. but very cold for season  
 Lat 42. 10 South

78 ~~~~~ Tuesday 23. Jan ~~~~~

This day com with light Wind and cold Weather the  
 Wind from South.  
 Middle part Wind shifted to North set the Steering  
 sails. Letter the same 11 weeks to day since I left My  
 T. and the house of Manning

79 ~~~~~ Wednesday Dec 24. ~~~~~

This day com with good Weather and North Wind comes  
 South West by South. Middle Wind hauled Jack ship  
 Wind S.E. West and cold  
 Letter the same so Ends this 24. here Lat 44. 17

80 ~~~~~ Thursday Dec 25. ~~~~~

This day fine breezes from the N.W. West all drawing sail  
 sail set saw a sail 1 point off the Weather bow  
 Middle do saw 2 more sails saw a number  
 of Finbacks. start 4 casks of fresh water from the hold  
 To deck and lash them on the garten to save breaking out  
 In bad weather off the Cape horn so Ends





# Journal of Ship Virginia 1844.

81 ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~ Friday January 26. 1844. ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~

This day commences with strong breezes a 7 am double reef the Topsails. I sail in sight 1 an the weather low. Wind N & West Middle Moderate Make at 2 pm spot the Bark Monarch of Guernsey bound to Valparaiso Wind shifted to North set all sail was 1.30

82 ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~ Saturday Jan 27. ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~

This day Wind strong Hauled to West a whale ship of our lee beam squally take in 3 gallsails and reef Mizzen Topsails Middle part foremast single reef the Topsails

83 ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~ Sunday Jan 28. 1844. ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~

This day commences with light Wind and Rain. a sail astern. at 3. PM spoke the Janus of N.B. 25 from Rio Janeiro. sold 1200 Bbls of Whale oil. has 200 sperm so Ends with a small gain The Mate goes aboard of Janus

84 ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~ Monday Jan 29. ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~

This day commences with strong breezes. The land on the weather bow. at daylight saw a school of sperm whales. To heave and cold to lower the back. Canvying sail land with the Janus the 4 point of the lee bow she cannot sail with the Virginia

85 ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~ Tuesday Jan 30. 1844. ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~

This day commences with a calm at 9 am the Wind hauled to the North. Statten Land of the Lee bow 10 miles distant Latter calm spoke our command the Janus a new ship on her first voyage but she cannot do the Virginia a hooter.

86 ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~ Wednesday Jan 31. ~~Journal of Ship Virginia~~

This day commences with strong breezes from SE the Janus of our weather quarter 6 miles Middle the same

Latter stronger took in top Gallsail

So Ends this 24th year



# To the Pacific Ocean Whaling 1844.

Thursday February 1st 1844.

- 87 This day com with hail and rain the Wind from South take the sail double reef the Topsail. Middle More Moderate make sail so Ends this 24 hours



Friday February 2d.

88

This day the weather continues the same with south Wind with hail and snow. saw a sail of Lee bear a Bark ... and afternoon a brig

Middle the same weather Wind hauled to North

Saturday February 3d.

- 89 This day com with Foggy weather Wind from S. West Middle do saw and spoke ship Maria Mosher of Trarshaven 29.00 from N. West bound home sent a letter by her the 8th letter I have sent home the last than 3 months.

Sunday February 4th

- 90 This day com with strong breezes from West S. West with a head beat sea work along the head sail and worked along to Top in staysail. double reef Topsail a 8 am shorten sail down to close reefed Main Top sail and a reefed Foresail and Main spencer

Monday February 5th

- 91 This day Moderate make sail heading N. N. West with all sail set. Middle and latter nearly calm so Ends this 24 hours

Tuesday Feb 6th, 1844.

92

This day commences with strong breezes from North West. Middle Middy with squalls double reef the Topsail. latter part reef the Main sail





# 1844. Journal of Ship Virginia a Whaling

Wednesday February 7th 1844.

- 93 This day commences with strong gale under close reefed topsails and reefed mainsail and main stay sail Middle and latter the same so Ends 90 day or 2 month from home and no whale yet.



Thursday Feb 8.

94

This day come with squalls of snow and rain the wind from the North steering West by North with single reefed sails and M & J Gall set a sail of lee genter



Friday Feb 9. 1844.

- 95 This day commences with strong breezes from S E East course N W by West under single reefed topsails and main top gallant sail

Middle and latter the same a large ship of our weather quarter so Ends

Saturday February 10.

- 96 This day commences with strong breezes from S East course N West with all sail set Middle frequent squalls of hail the weather some milder

Saw finbacks

Sunday February 11.

- 97 This day continues with good wind and weather with all sail set.

Middle and latter the same a plenty of porpoise around the ship. We have stood no mast heads or lookouts since we were of Sta. Luce so Ends

Monday Feb 12.

- 98 This day commences with cloudy weather and fresh breezes from S E West course N by West.

Middle and latter the same

so Ends this day saw nothing

This forenoon is Bethel Prayer Meeting.



# Remarks outboard the Ship Virginia

Sunday Feb 25

This day continues fine still boiling Middle fine  
saw a sail of Weather beam  
at 4 P.M. cooled down boiling  
So Ends

Monday 26 This day com with good weather & sail a head  
of the ship. at 12 A.M. raised sperm whales lowered and Bow  
Boat struck him and run them from 1 o'clock  
until 6 when he brought to and the Mate  
killed him at 8 o'clock took him to the ship  
and shortened sail and set quarter Muck



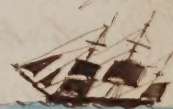
Tuesday 27

This day com with strong breezes hook on to cut  
so suggest that we move around and cut to leeward at  
12 o'clock had him cut in

Employed in clearing away head and cutting flubber  
Middle and latter the same

Wednesday 28

This day strong breezes Employed Boiling out  
the flubber at 3 P.M. spoke the Henry of Salem 29 Months  
out 12 hundred Barrels. the captain comes on board of the  
Virginia



Thursday 29 March February

This day quite mugged at daylight cool down  
the work. saw a sail the land out of sight  
at 9 mark off the decks and set the quarter Muck  
Middle and latter blowing hard

Friday March 2d.

This day blowing a gale. make no sail to suggest  
to slow down

Middle do saw a sail  
Latter do first for topsail  
So Ends saw fin backs





Remarks on board Ship Virginia Cruising of Juan Fernandez

117 Saturday March 3. 1844. 2

This day continues rigged just the foresail one boat crew on deck

Middle the same the land of Lee beam  
saw in back.

118 Sunday 4 3

This day quite rigged set the fore topsail double reefed 118 bbls of sperm oil on deck and no weather to steer it down. Land of Lee Bow 15 Miles distant.

So Ends but no Sabbath off soundings and short prayers

119 Monday 5 March 4

More Moderate at daylight break out the Main hatch way to stow down start salt and fresh water Cooper the bread at 3 P M started down the oil

Sun down 115 bbls of oil. So Ends Made no sail to day This Eve is Bethel prayer Meeting



120 Tuesday 6 5

This day Moderate Make all sail 4 Months from the shore of New England to day. Now break the bread Empty Casks and break out 16 pipes of bread from between decks and Cooper it and stow it back at 4 P M Wash of decks So Ends Now ready for another fish O Jeannette there 4 Months have passed nearly away.

121 Wednesday 7 6

This day fine weather Run off from the Land course S E & at 12 P M hauled too on the Wind. sent a foresail an Mizen J. gall sail repair to stay Mend 12 P M start stay sail an other job of ships duty till a sow that had 9 pigs in her was much sick for a shilling at 2 P M saw a sail of weather bow steering to the North so East double reef the Topsails

122 Thursday 8. 7 March 1844.

This day Commences calm the Land on the weather Bow with shower of rain

at 9 am double reef topsails again with rain  
butter calm So Ends





Remarks onboard the ship Virginia Whaling

123 Friday March 9<sup>th</sup> 1844.

This day strong breezes make no sail. Raining  
Middle do at 2 P.M. squally take in fore and  
Mizen topmasts. any job to End.

Raining hard etc

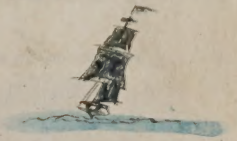
124 Saturday 10

This day commences with squalls and rain. Make sail  
saw a sail of Lee quarter

Middle and latter do

to End by shooting sail for night

Saw nothing



125 Monday 11.

Sabbath day

This day commences with light breezes. Make all sail  
and keep good look out for whales. see none.  
Shorten sail for night to End.

I would like to be to the Bethel Meeting with Penelope

126 Tuesday 12. March. Monday I am careless

I have lost one day in the week and gained one in  
month. This day commences with fresh breezes. Make all sail  
saw a bark ahead the Henry Sulzer. Middle Raining at 2 per  
double reef the topmasts to End. The Henry runs down and  
speaks with us has seen no whales. Take in sail for  
the night.

127 Wednesday 13. March

This day commences with good weather. Make all  
sail. The Henry of Lee has a sail on weather bow.  
Middle and latter the same. Saw nothing like whales.  
quite anxious to see the fish. Spoke J. J. Gardner clear

128. Thursday March 14. 1844. 13 Wednesday

This day commences with fresh breezes. Middle and latter the  
same. Saw a sail to windward. Steering for us at 8 o'clock. The  
Spartan Man-of-war had a man fall from aloft. Capt. and Mate  
went on board to assist him. Returned at 10 o'clock. The Spartan  
clear reported Countryman 110 barrels.

to End saw nothing.



1844.

## Cruising of Juan Hernandez March

129 Thursday 14. March 1844

This day make sail with fresh breezes and frequent showers  
 of rain saw a sail on weather beam  
 running for us at 10 am she spoke  
 The Isabella Howland 30. Mo 2200  
 Middle Moderate steering N N East



Friday 15. March

130 This day commences with fresh breezes Steer N East Under  
 whole topsails saw a sail on weather bow  
 Middle the same Repair Mainsail and bend it  
 so Ends by shortning sail take in fore and Miz top sail.  
 saw no whales this day

131 . . . . . Saturday 16. March . . . . .

This day come with strong breezes make sail at day light  
 saw a sail off lee bow  
 break out for fore sail and Middle stick it  
 Middle and latter the same so End  
 by taking in Miz I sail.



132 . . . . . Sabbath day 17 March . . . . .

This day commences with light wind.  
 and good weather is St Patricks Day. at 11 an  
 fore ship heading to Westward  
 spoke ship John Coggeshall Newport  
 so oil 4 1/2 mo out Capt Chase goes aboard  
 and her Mate Mr Tucker comes aboard so Ed by taking sail



133 . . . . . Monday 18 March 1844

This day commences with fresh wind and good weather all  
 sail set at 9 am parted each rope of jib but on a stopper and  
 set it again.

Middle and latter Moderate at work on rigging &c  
 making a main topmast

So Ends by taking in sail for night No Seannette No  
 Bethel Prayer Meeting this Eve The Lord Bless us

We want a whale very much  
 John Hernandez



Ship Virginia cruising of Massachusetts March 1844.

134. Tuesday March 18. 1844.

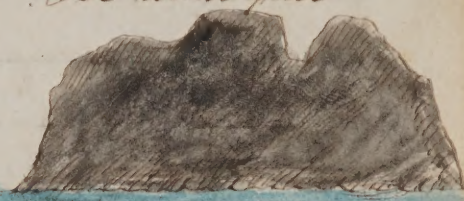
This day commences with good weather make all sail. saw a sail on weather beam. Sun of N East saw a sail a head and spoke the Walter Scott Mast 41 Mo 1200 spoke the Capt comes on board of us for letters so Ends by taking in sail



135 ~~~~~ Wednesday <sup>20</sup> March ~~~~~

This day good weather and calm Massachusetts in sight 1 point of Lee Bow. the Walter Scott 1st Massachusetts on weather beam Middle and better

Moderate sun Nothing to work on rigging so End take in JG sails



136 ~~~~~ Thursday March 21. ~~~~~

This day com with light wind from the West with good weather at 9 am saw Whales. Finbacks Black fish and Porpoises do not look for Black fish Massachusetts a head saw a sail running on our weather beam so End to double reefing &c

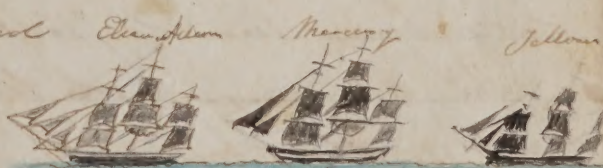
~~~~~ Friday March 22. 1844. ~~~~~

137 This day commences with good weather & sail in sight the steering in for Massachusetts at 12 o'clock tack and stand off. at 3 P M spoke the Eliza Adams 20 Mo 1400 at 4 spoke Mercury of N B 34 Mo 1600 at 1 spoke Bk. Sellers of Stony ton 1400 7 day from Galapagos heard from a number of ships all very

Low & ships in sight from mast head

so Ends saw Nothing but ships

The Captains all on board of Virginia



138 ~~~~~ Saturday March 23 ~~~~~

This day commences with light wind and good weather

The Eliza Adams of Lee quarter Middle and better calm shorter sail for sight so Ends no fish heard but few

139 ~~~~~ Sabbath day March 24. 1844. ~~~~~

This day commences with good weather and fresh breeze rain of N West all this day saw a Merchant Brig steering in for the coast 4 sail in sight so Ends and no Whales Sunday Eve no Meeting no Jeannette





# 1844. Remarks onboard the Ship Virginia of Massachusetts

Monday March 25. 1844.

This day commences with strong breeze and rain at 12 o'clock set fore and Miz Topails at 2 P M spoke Margaret of New port at <sup>16.00</sup> spoke Com Morris of <sup>1400</sup> ~~Talmouth~~ Talmouth. and Eliza Adams No commences a gain the 3 Captains come here so Ends this day by gaining board three boats and pull the ship. Round to clear the Margaret



Tuesday March 26

This day commences with light wind and good weather saw nothing 20 weeks from home and no news from Samnetta. a long and hard road to travel so Ends

Wednesday 27.

This day light wind and good weather but no fish This evening ground is not what has been a good many ships and no whales

Thursday March 28.

This day nearly a calm middle and better the sun Employed on rigging strapping blocks &c at sunset the Almiras boat and Mate pulled to us I mo out 80 lbs. The Messenger of R B of Lee quarter

Friday 29. March 1844.

This day good weather and a fine breeze saw 2 schools of Black fish do not care for them saw a sail of lee beam run off for her but did not speak her call it the Messenger we have letter for her saw a ship on weather bow with steering sails set. a Merchant Man

Saturday March 30.

This day commences with good weather and a calm the watches employed at various jobs about ship the cooper grinding spades &c Middle part calm latter much the same at 4 P M spoke the ship Messenger Down of R B. 7 mo 140 lbs so Ends by shortening sail for the night Capt Downs comes on board





Ship Virginia Joseph Chace Master off Coast of Chili.

~~~~~ Sabbath day March 31. 1844. ~~~~~

This day commences with Good Weather and strong Breeze from West Meeting off East for Marseilles Middle and latter the same one of the boats at 6 1/2 M had pigs at 7 spoke Ed. Adams boiling a 10 Hbl Whale. so Ends with a gun



~~~~~ Monday April 1. ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes running free at 12 double reef the Topsails saw finbacks at 3 p m took 2 sea men Top sails sent down Royal yards furled the fore sails another saw her pigs we have now 2 better of seeing pigs so Ends

~~~~~ Tuesday April 2. ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes set 1/2 foresail and fore Topsail and steer in for Marseilles point off Weather bow Middle and West side Marseilles latter the same so Ends this day full the job.



~~~~~ Wednesday April 3. ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes stand off from the land saw a fin Back Middle and latter weather much the same. Shorten sail for night The Eliza Adams under our lee don't know where the whales are want some very much. O Jannette

~~~~~ Thursday April 4. 1844. ~~~~~

This day commences with light Westerly Wind and good Weather set top Gallant sails and Mark off Decks as usual Middle and latter much the same so Ends this day saw nothing alarming 90 miles off. but the land a long distance E & S



~~~~~ Friday April 5. 1844. ~~~~~

This day continues the good Weather and light Wind but no fish Make sail Middle and latter much the same

So Ends by Shortening sail quite down in the Month at not seeing any Whales.

O Jannette I am sick child. I artain



1844. Ship Virginia Chase of Massachusetts  
Saturday April 6.

This day commences with light winds and good weather  
make all sail saw a sail on the weather quarter  
middle nearly a calm  
latter a breeze so ends by shortening  
sail for the night. Saturday night to  
sweet hearts and Mires



Sunday April 7th 1844

This day commences with fine weather heading  
N N West set top gale sails.

Middle fine men lying around deck heading  
latter a fresh breeze took in top g sails for night

Monday April 8

This day commences with good weather make sail  
and run the ship of E S East at 10 Am saw fin  
backs.

Middle fine weather at 3 P M. saw 3 sperm  
whales going quick to N N West lowered and  
chased them could not get near them being  
wild so ends seen sperm whales 3 times

Tuesday April 9. 1844.

This day com. with cloudy weather and fresh breezes a  
sail of Lee beam saw sperm at 8 Am ran off for  
them saw no more of them so ends this day by shortening  
sail 22 weeks out to dry O. H. weather

Wednesday April 10.

This day commences with light wind saw black fish  
middle calm a ship of Lee quarter and a D mi  
on the weather quarter middle  
and latter calm looking very  
squally double reef topsails



Thursday April 11.

This day commences with good weather middle  
and latter the same  
so ends this day by double reefing topsails for  
night O. H. weather what luck

J. B. Moore



Apr 11  
1844. Ship Virginia Cruising of Napafuero

Friday April 12.

This day commences with light wind and good weather  
saw nothing Middle and latter fine  
The Land 2 points off Weather Bow bearing East  
so ends this day by taking in sail Top & Sail.

Saturday April 13. 1844.

This day commences with cloudy  
weather and fresh breezes saw 4 sail.  
3 Whale men 1 Merchant Bark  
at 4 P.M. spoke the Ship Mechanic  
of St Johns Broomfield 1100. 600 Whale



Sunday April 14. 1844

This day commences with strong breezes from S.E. East  
under double reefed topsails. Napafuero on Weather  
quarter 15 Miles distant bearing N.W. West  
Middle and latter the same so ends this day double reef topsails.

Monday April 15. My a good

This day commences with strong breezes under 2 reefed topsails.  
Juan Fernandez on Starboard beam saw a sail  
of lee beam so ends by take in the jib and Main sail

Tuesday April 16. 1844.

This day commences with good weather Juan 2 points on Weather  
bow. Make all sail at 12 A.M. about  
of the Island 15 Miles distant bearing S.S.W.



Wednesday April 17. 1844.

At day light saw a sail of Lee Bow both standing in for the land  
at 8 1/2 hours toward 2 boats for Juan 1 to Fish & to get peaches. 2 boats  
on shore from the Mechanic. Return at 2 o'clock with a good number  
of peaches and fish and wood from a wrecked Brig that lies on  
shore at 3 o'clock take a raft of casks on shore for Water  
boats. Return at 6 bringing more wood so ends with a good  
days drag



# 1844. Ship Virginia off Juan Fernandez

Thursday April 18.

This day commences with light wind from the S. West sent 2 boats on shore for to fill and get of the water till it got it towed along side by 12 o'clock 1 man run away from the ship named George Robley for no particular reason. He wants to be Robinson Crusoe

Friday April 19. 1844.

This day a calm. the Mechanic has 4 boats lowered saw grampuses took them for sperm whales. Stow down the water in lower hold so Ends calm 15 miles from Juan bearing S.W.



Saturday April 20

This day commences with nearly a calm the other ships put away for Talcahuana. Middle and latter calm so Ends this day all hands hard at work with their jesses eating peaches shorten sail for the night showers of rain in the night.

Sunday April 21. 1844.

This day com with fresh breezes from S.E. make all sail saw a sail on weather bow steering to Westward. Jack ship and head in for land at 5 P.M. saw a spout ran for it until sundown and shortened sail for night Juan 8 miles West.

Monday April 22.

This day commences with fresh Breezes from S.E. Middle and latter the same so Ends this day take in top gale sails for night

Tuesday April 23

This day com with light wind from S. West put away for Talcahuana Middle Wind N West latter North. course S.E. 20 fathoms. I remember Tuesday

Wednesday April 24. 1844

This day commences with strong breezes from the North Middle and latter the same course S.E. & E



1844. Ship Virginia Chase for Talcahuana April 25

Thursday April 25. 1844.

This day commences with fair land North Wind Middle More clear  
rather thick fog under 2 reef topsails  
saw a number of mumps backs full of it and mainsail  
so Ends this 24 hours Thursday Eve and no steamers, coming

Friday April 26. April 1844.

This day commences with fog and light wind Middle the  
same the fog light up so that we could see Land 1 point of Lee  
town. Later a breeze stood in by Curraçana and beat all  
night. 2 AM came to 2 miles from the City of Talcahuana.

Saturday April 27

This morn at day light got under weigh at day break and beat up to  
town came at anchor at 8 AM A Talcahuana beached the ship scraped  
and cleaned her for painting a number of shore boats along side  
for the trade. so Ends laying at anchor with 15 sail of ship 1 man of War

Sunday April 28.

This day commences with good weather the Starboard Watch go on shore  
without any money so Ends by 2 men running away from the ship  
the boats go on shore for the Watch that of the men stay on shore  
The Carpenter and 1 Foremast hand Man. being at

Monday April 29. 1844

This day fine weather Starboard Watch paint 1 side of ship  
the Starboard Watch on shore on liberty with out any money from the  
Capt. so Ends boats go on shore for Cap and crew  
being at anchor

Tuesday April 30. 1844

This day fine the Starboard Watch come on board some in liquor  
which caused some fighting with Mate and Steward and 1 steamer  
the Starboard Watch go on shore  
so Ends still being at anchor

Wednesday May 1. 1844

This day cloudy the boats upon shore for Starboard Watch 2 of them run  
and are not to be found now 4 men deserted and 3 men sick  
rather a bad look so Ends

Still at



# Laying at Anchor at Talchuan

Thursday May 2d 1844.

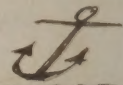
This day commences with the watch going on shore the ship Mercen  
ry sailed for Bedford at 10 o'clock A.M. so ends this day  
most of the Starboard watch stays on shore



Lying at Anchor

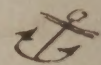
Friday May 3d 1844

This morning wash of decks after the Starboard watch goes on  
shore. The Steward did not come on board think that he has  
been break out for oil and flour so ends by sending in  
the boats for Capt and watch



Saturday May 4. 1844.

This day the Starboard watch goes on shore the Steward  
did not come of two deserters come down to join  
them seizes up to the got staved out Mams Julian  
and Donley



Sunday May 5. 1844.

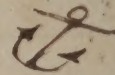
This day fine Starboard watch goes on shore the  
last liberty for Virginian crew in Talchuan this  
year so ends laying at



Monday May 6.

This day bore all sail and bend a new fly jib  
Employed in getting off potatoes fruit Vegetables  
at 4 P.M. put all the sails. the men shipped here  
all aboard

at Anchor



Tuesday May 7. 1844.

This morning Capt goes on shore pays his bills  
leave short make all sail at 8 am under weigh  
so good bye to Talchuan the most of all places  
so ends by Stowing the Anchor and unbending chain  
and running them down hold beat out of the  
bay in 5 tacks the Virginian looks to windward  
quick in smooth water we have our comple-  
ment of men once more now for a new start  
we have some <sup>new</sup> of all nations aboard 6 months  
from home to day o Seannette when shall we  
meet again. In 20 months I hope with a full  
stow of Spanish oil



# 1844. Cruising down the Coast of Chili S.A.

Wednesday May 8.

This day commences with cloudy weather 2 kigs standing in for Talcuana. Middle fine weather latter do the wind from the South steering North by West. Land in sight

Thursday May 9. 1844.

This day com with strong breezes from S.E. East saw hump backs. At 9 A.M. sent down St. Top sail to repair sent up an other sent the royal yards on deck to paint C. Seannette

Friday May 10. 1844.

This day commences with good weather repairing top sail Middle and latter fine carry sail through the night the wind S.E. East came N.W. West so ends saw nothing.

Saturday May 11.

This day good weather at work on top sail at 8 finish and bend it. Break out for Walter and Silvers just the mainsail carry light sail through the night so ends this Saturday night

Sunday May 12.

This day commences with good weather running down the coast of Chili but see no sperm whale yet.

Middle and latter fine It is now Sunday Eve no Seannette no Eve meeting no society and but a few poor books to read 10 men

Monday May 13. 1844.

Fine weather running down the coast of Chili do not see any whales. send up the royal yards and unbend main bend spanker so ends by morning. Wind S.E. came S.W. to N through night This is Bethel prayer meeting this Eve and I am here May the Lord be with us

I would not live always, I ask not to stay

When storm after storm arises dark over the way. Yet there is hope

Tuesday May 14. 1844

This day com with good weather employed felling the head sail and getting up a turning lathe O Mo and I day from home to day that Tuesday I never shall forget. with

With many a kiss and kind embrace our parting was tender And pledging oft to meet We tore our selves asunder

I long to see those days return or renewed S.T.H.



# Ship Virginia Cruising down Chile 1844.

Wednesday May 15.

This day commences with good weather. Tacking down the coast Middle and latter the same. Employed in Knotting Topp-yarn. So End shorten sail. Take in Top Gull sails.

Thursday May 16.

This day good weather. Employed in Middle stitching a Main Topp-sail. put head sail at sunset abreast of the Town of Terapacca saw 8 sail of Ketch at Anchor.

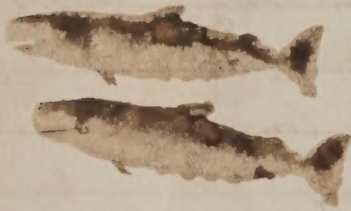
Friday May 17. 1844.

This day com with a calm saw a sun fish. Middle and latter light air. saw a sail of Lee beam. So Ends by shortening sail for night.



Saturday May 18.

This day com with a calm put the boats on the lower cranes at 11. A.M. saw Black Fish lowered three Boats and got 2. 1 to Starboard and Bow Boats. Paint the starboard Boat passed the Brig Minna of Calao. So Ends shortening sail for the night.

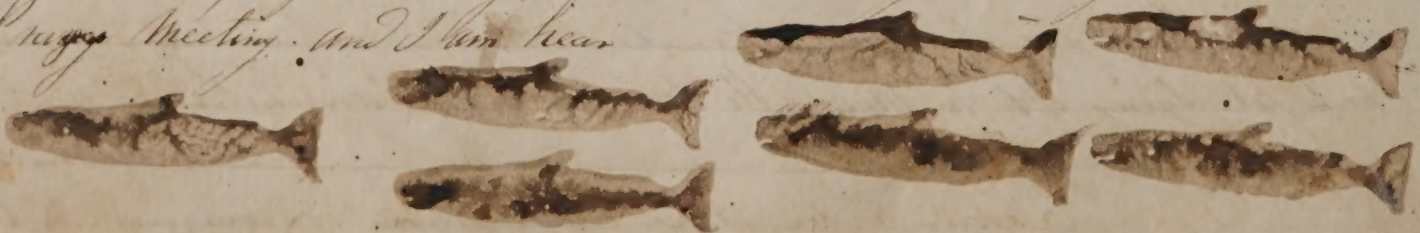


Sabbath day May 19. This day good weather now on the coast of Peru at 8 A.M. saw Black Fish lowered got 2 to Starboard Boat come on board at 10 lowered again and got 1 to Starboard 1 to Waist Boat saw a Merchant Ship steering in for the land at 3 P.M. saw a sail under the land a Whaleship.



This Sunday Eve at home and I am hear out of the sound of Church but I often think of the good meetings that we have attended.

Monday May 20. 1844. This day fine weather and calm a ship astern under short sail at 2 P.M. raised Black Fish lowered and got 7 3 to Bow Boat 2 to Starboard 2 to Waist Boat I wish we might get as many Whals at a lowering Monday Eve Bethel Praying meeting and I am hear.





# S. Virginia On Coast of Peru May 1844.

Tuesday May 21. 1844. Lat 19. 20. South

This day good weather employed hauling Hutter at 8 A M saw Black Fish lowered 3 boats and got 5 In forenoon and 7 In the Afternoon 5 to Bow 3 to Starboard 3 to the Mast Boat

    So Ends the Watch Mincing & hauling. 6 Mo 15 days

Wednesday May 22. Off Africa on Peru.

This day Moderate weather at 3 A.M. commences Boiling and cool down at 6 P.M. 25 Fish Making 22 Barrels. at 7 P.M. was boarded by the Peruvia King of  Alert Boat. and sold her officers tobacco candles &c

Thursday May 23. Commences with a calm call all hands at Daylight and lower for Black fish and get 5. 3 to Starboard 1 to Bow 1 Starboard 1 to Bow So Ends hauling the Hutter

Friday May 24.

This day Moderate saw sperm whale chased them got on him Starboard Boat and Missed him hard luck finish toiling the Black Fish Make 28 Bk.

Saturday May 25 Bad Luck

This day cloudy with some rain Middle and latter fine saw nothing but Land and breakers. Saturday Night to meet hearts and lives The week is past and gone The dark shades appear O May we all remember well The time of Death draws near

Sabbath or Lords Day 26

This day good weather Middle & latter the same saw nothing some engaged hauling so Ends by carrying sail through the night no meeting May the Lord be with us all amen

Monday May 27. 1844.

This day calm with light wind and good weather Middle and latter fine saw nothing So End this Monday Eve. While the brethren and sisters that attend the Bethel prayer meeting to renew their covenant with their heavenly Father. I retire to my stateroom to write my log and thank god for his kind mercies towards me. So I remain your Penman



# 1844. Ship Virginia cruising off Peru

Monday May 18. This day saw finbacks and a plenty of sword fish lowered and but could not strike one long ship so end by laying with the head yards to the Mast. O cruckey

Tuesday 19. May ----- Lat 18.20 S

This day commences with good weather and light wind from S. East Middle and latter the same so end

on the coast of Peru and no Whales. Hard but fine

Wednesday 20 May -----

This day continues good weather saw finbacks sword fish but no sperm whales Middle and latter fine so end by shortening sail for night  
kill a pig.

Thursday 21. May -----

This day fine saw fin backs Middle and latter good weather Employed in rigging and turning Belaying Pins These pins &c Thursday Eve and no Seannette

Friday June 1. 1844. -----

This day fine Breeze from S. East Lat. 17.4 South at day light saw a school of the Lee Bow heading south at 7 AM backed ship and stood in for Land



Saturday June 2. -----

 This day commences with good weather saw Black fish. struck an albicore so end by working off the decks for we do no unnecessary labour on Sunday

Sabbath Day June 3 -----

This day light wind saw Black fish and Fin Backs nearly discouraged in not seeing any Whales. O Seannette if I could be with you this Evening we would go to church

Monday June 4 -----

This day good weather at 8 am saw a school of sperm whales lowered 3 boat, and chased them going quick to the windward could not get near them. hard luck

Tuesday June 5 -----

In morning at 4 o'clock spoke ship Joseph Menzies

6 mo out 90 barrels got some Paper from her

so end saw hump backs and Black Fish

so end by shortening sail and laying aback Lat 16.0





# 1844. Remarks onboard the Ship Virginia.

June 6. 1844. Wednesday

This day good weather saw fin and hump  
backs at 4 P.M. spoke Eliza Addams has taken  
2 whales 110 barrels since we saw her. a gam



Thursday June 7.

This day cloudy with a strong breeze 3 sail in sight 2 to Leeward  
1 on weather quarter At 11 A.M. saw a steam ship  
running down the coast so fast working to get to Mindan



Friday June 8.

This day strong breeze from S.W. the Eliza Addams off our lee  
beam can't get to Mindan with the Virginia so ends by running  
all sail through the night. This is dull music none and more

Saturday June 9.

This day commences with light wind from S.W. all sail set  
working to Mindan the Eliza Addams of Lee bow so ends  
back ship and stand of there another week gone and no fish

Sat 16, 1844

Sunday June 10.

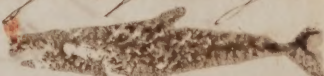
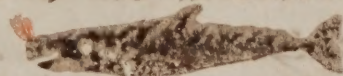
This day com with good weather the Eliza off Lee beam  
so ends saw nothing to make sperm oil. This Sabbath day I feel to bless  
God for his goodness. In sparing my unprofitable life through another  
week. O for a thousand tongues to sing

Sanctus & Hosanna

My dear Redeemers name and praise.

Monday June 11. 1844.

Spoke E. Addams and ran of to N.W. at 10 A.M. saw Black Fish  
saw and got 9 to the boats. the Larboard boat got upset by line  
getting foul.



Tuesday June 12.

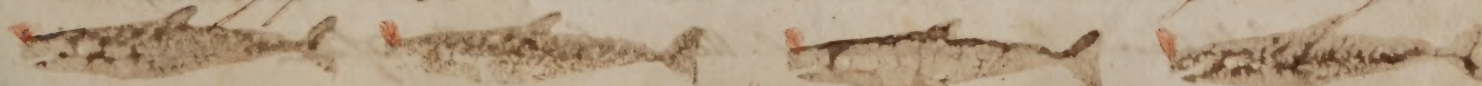
This day com leaning the Rubber and Mining at 10 A.M. saw a  
sail of Lee beam at 4 P.M. spoke her the Navigator Fisher of  
Nantucket 34 tons 1300. heard that the Ship Sarah Francis had lost her Captain

Wednesday June 13.

This day com boiling and ran of to N.W. saw specks and shucks  
proved to be hump backs saw 2 sails the Dark Henry taken  
did not speak her so ends by being a back part of sail to mast

Thursday June 14.

This day fine saw Black Fish saw and got 4 very wild



Thursday night and see Sanctus



# Ship Virginia on Peru river 1844.

Friday June 15. 1844.

This day fine morning down the coast Sat 14.20 south saw a sail at 8 am spoke her the Martha Mant sailing B Fish (12004)   
So End this day saw nothing and up the top sail

Saturday 16. June

This day commences with fresh East Wind course N. N. West Middle the same. latter haul off and lie aback. Saturday night

Sunday or Sabbath 16. June

This day commences with good weather and strong East Wind course N. N. by N. saw a sail of Lee Bow So End this day. Scamette  
Though I am destitute of church privileges I thank god I can lift up my heart to him who has said. come unto me all ye that labour and are laden I will give rest

Monday June 17.

This day course N. N. by N. Weather saw a merchant ship close to saw fin and hump back. shorten sail double reef topsails for night first time for 40 days. His vessel sprang meeting with my friends at

Tuesday June 18.

This day com with strong trades Middle and latter the same Employed at jobs about the rigging 30 weeks from here to day 29 28

Wednesday June 19.

This day strong trades under double reefed topsails saw hump and ran for it proved to be hump back.

So End by shortening sail for night O. Scamette

Thursday June 20. till a boy

This day cloudy with strong East trades Middle and latter the same saw nothing all most crazy quite sick O chackey never saw the like since I was born. do tell

Friday June 21.

Commences with strong trade winds under single reefed topsails Middle and latter the same

So End saw nothing Harriet Birman

Saturday June 22. 1844.

This day fine morning from East saw few backs do not expect to ever see any sperm whals. 742 months out with only 100 span 40 black fish. Saturday night to meet hearts and Min.  
And now another week has passed to end into serenity and we are left here these worms of the Sea the Open Sea



# Remarks Onboard Ship Virginia

Sabbath Day June 23. 1844. ~~~~~ Sat. 11.40.2

This day fresh breezes under single reefed Topsails. course N. West saw a school B. Fish. so Ends by laying to for the Night. (discouraging)

While my home friends are assembled to their respective churches to hear the Word of god. I am in my little State Room writing up my Log.

Monday June 24. ~~~~~ Sunday

This day commences with fresh breezes from S East carry all sail to get to windward. a strong current setting to the North

Tuesday 25 ~~~~~ Sat 12.35 South

This morning at daylight tack ship and stand off shore strong breezes under single reefed top sails. Middle and latter the same heavy head beat sea. so Ends. - O The Morning of the 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 1843

Wednesday 26 June ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes set the Main Top of sail fresh breezes through the day Middle and latter the same the watch employed making gunyarn so work on trypsen heading in shore

Thursday June 27 ~~~~~

This morning quite moderate set the light sail and tack ship and head off shore saw nothing but fin backs. poor unfortunate I.

Friday June 28. ~~~~~

This Day com. with good weather tack ship and stand in shore Middle saw Hump Backs so Ends carry all sail through the Night

Saturday June 29 ~~~~~

This morning tack ship and head of shore saw nothing Middle and latter the same caught 2 albacore

Sabbath Day June 30 ~~~~~

This is the last day in June almost 8 months out with only 100 barrels this is enough to make one side of the voyage. Another week has rolled into eternity what god has seen fit to spare us poor worms of the earth so Ends working to windward

Monday July 1st. ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes tack ship at 8 am and stand off heading S. West under whole Topsails Middle same latter double reef top sails

Tuesday July 2. 1844 ~~~~~

This day commences with strong breezes under whole topsails saw B. Fish so Ends by double reefing Topsails.



# 1844. Journal of Ship Virginia

Wednesday July 3. This day commences with strong SE wind heading In shore saw Hump Back so Ends by dowl & keeping Topails. Horses land through the night

Thursday July 4.

This is the day of the Month that the American Independence was declared and is celebrated yearly but the way we observe it is In stopping the Main brace blocks and go saw a sail so Ends by keeping Topails

Friday July 5.

This day com with strong breezes Made sail

saw a sail a head at sunrise at 7 the

tacked ship at 12 tacked again saw sail

of Lee Bow saw a hump Back turn Shuts.



Saturday July 6, 1844.

This day commences with strong breezes from East a sail off the Lee Bow comes now S. West been beating to N. by N. 14 days

Sunday 7 July --- Course N. West

This day quite good weather a brig of the Lee Bow heading E. & East at 2 P.M. saw another brig heading in shore.



Monday July 8.

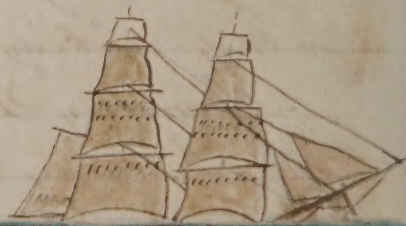
This day good weather saw a number shoals of Black Fish Middle and latter the same saw 8 schools of Black Fish going to South East.

Tuesday July 9. This is Bethel Meeting this Eve I cant go that a fact

This day commences with thick misty weather very foggy saw fin backs along aside of the shore 8 Months from the 67 Forten St to day with only 100 barrels of 40 Bush. O Seamen this is to hard

Wednesday July 10

This day good weather Making course N. West the Land of Starboard beam saw fin backs as usual saw a brig on weather beam standing In shore



Thursday July 11.

This day fine weather Lat 7. 30 South standing of shore saw and spoke a Brig Bound to Calao from Payta saw Black fish and hump back so Ends all hands heart sick at not seeing any whales of the right kind



# Cruising on the coast of Peru. 1844.

Friday July 12 This day good weather standing of shore In Lat 7.10 south nothing doing very times Men lying about decks to Ends. Plenty fin Backs and no sperm whale. o what luck  
Saturday July 13.

This morning make sail as usual fine weather Middle and latter the same saw Porpoises breasting took them to be sperm whale but got deceived so Ends another week rolled into Eternity

Sabbath Day July 14.

This day took from Saint Middle and latter the same saw hump Backs so End quite discouraged

Monday July 15.

This day com with this cloudy weather at 11 am saw the Land of Lee Bow at 5 P M saw a sail

Tuesday July 16

This day fine weather and a plenty fin Backs In night very dry times all hands discouraged and down In the morning some unpleasant look and feelings. poor unfortunate

Wednesday July 17

This day fine fin and hump Backs as usual but not a sperm whale to be seen Lat 8.10 south standing of and on

Thursday July 18

This day con with light wind steer down the coast wind aft Middle and latter fine saw Black fish.

Dry Dinner. Sartin! I cannot I am that Miserable John F. Akin

Friday July 19

This day commences and Ends the same as usual with dry times and no fish. A hard road to travel I believe

Saturday July 20

This day keep of N. West running the coast down satisfied there are no sperm whale. where were been cruising but Night another week has rolled into Eternity and we poor worms of the sea are here

Sabbath Day July 21.

This Lords day we run down the coast N West course

Middle the same. fresh Pork for Dinner 8 1/2 Mounds out

and hot oil enough to oil my whippers through the voyage

This is business Night for the fair here at home but I am out of it entirely. What a pity a crockey.



# 1844. Remarks Onboard the Virginia

Monday July 22 This day commences and Ends like all other without seeing any Whale but fin Ducker

Tuesday July 23 This is ketchel Prayer meeting this Ev  
This day toots off like many more with out seeing any Whales  
nor whale ships It is now 40 days since we saw a whale  
ship. Wednesday July 24

This day good weather In the Lat of Payta cruising  
at 2 P.M. saw a breach to windward the Mate calls a  
green whale breach saw it no more. Ship working to windward  
to Ends by killing the last flog but one of the crew & but  
animals. Thursday July 25.

This day com with cloudy weather  
and some rain at 9 A.M. saw  
a Merchant Bark of Weather Bow  
middle and latter good weather saw  
nothing so Ends by shortning Sail for night



Friday July 26

This day commences with rather thick weather saw few Bact  
middle and latter cloudy with some rain Lat 05.30 South

Saturday July 27

This day rather wet In morning at noon clear away saw  
a number of schools of Black fish do not lower for them

Sunday July 28.

This day commences good weather saw nothing Middle  
and latter do see of W. N. West Lat 4.50 South (fare  
soon shall I pass the gloomy vale soon all my mortal powers wear  
O May my last Expiring breath His loving kindness sing In death  
so Ends this day of rest. I can If I was to fast it to day! What!

Monday July 29.

This day commences and Ends as usual without seeing  
any thing so Ends by takeing in the light sail for night.

Tuesday 30 tack ship Every 6 hours to get to Montevideo

Wednesday 31 the current setting to North Strong

Thursday 1. August This day commences and Ends like  
the rest saw a half starved finback and 2 schools of  
Black fish but we dont want them the prospect is so good  
to get full of them I weather out no barrels



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Journal of The Ship Virginia in Pacific ocean

Friday August 2d 1844. in off Tombes cruising Pen  
This day thick and Misty at 12. AM clear hard up helm and  
run off. N West. at 6 PM haul to on the Wind heading in the

Saturday August 3. good Weather and Black fish in sight  
back ship and stand off shore Middle do latter run off at Night  
Took in light sails and back the head yards to End.

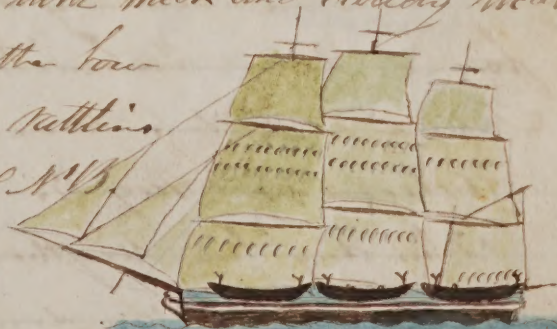
Sabbath Day, August 4. Make sail with good Weather and  
stand in towards the land Middle up helm and run off  
N. West Middle and latter good Weather saw 2 large schools of B  
Fish. Another Sabbath has been given us as a Market day for our  
souls to profit by. O that god might pour out his spirit at the Bethel

Monday August 5. Make sail at Day light as usual quite  
Moderate sun B Fish Middle fine corn N East. Turn in for  
T Gale B stays and set up the stay so End. by running N East

Tuesday August 6 This day commences with light trade Wind  
corn N West Middle and latter do so End

Wednesday August 7 This day good Weather corn N East  
Employed on the rigging Middle and latter do steer  
North through the Night. saw a sail

Thursday August 8. This day corn with thick and cloudy Weather  
at 7 AM saw a sail 3 points on Weather bow  
Employed on the rigging repairing the Rattles  
at 3 PM spoke Alexander Farin of N.Y.  
1500 spm 24 mo out



Friday August 9. This day commences with making  
sail as usual stand to Eastward fore part of the day at  
12 am run of N West. took in light sail for the Night  
Sat August 10

This make sail as usual stand of Middle run North  
shorten sail and back the head yards for the Night and



# Remarks Onboard the Virginia 1844.

On the Line And off the Galapagos Is.  
Sunday August 11. 1844.

This day strong S. East trade. at 7 Am men of M West  
At 12 Am stand N East In shore latter stand to the  
Westward take in top. Gull sails for night.

Monday August 12.

This day com with good weather and light wind com  
At N West to the Islands Middle and latter fine  
carns all sail through the night

Tuesday Aug 13.

Com with light rain and some fog at 10 Am saw the  
Land Woods Island at 4 P M came up with it  
tack ship and stand off. and on through the night

Wednesday Aug 14.

At day light Woods Island 2 miles   
dislunt of Sea beam get breakfast and sent 2 boats crew  
on shore for Turpin found them secure got but 28 and  
them small caught some fish. and killed a good many  
ducks which are excellent. Eating at 5 P M left the Island

Thursday Aug 15.

At day light Charles Is. bore N N West at 12 am came up  
with it sent a boat on shore. come off at 5 P M saw nothing  
except 1 dog on the Island come off board stand to Westward  
at 8 In the Ev saw a light on shore on the Mountain

Friday Aug 16. nearly calm at 10 a beam the Isl  
to Westward beating in for it at 3 P M the Cap. goes on shore  
found some inhabitants got nothing the potatoes not ripe  
Tried to catch some fish but could not take them

Saturday Aug 17.

This day fine weather the wind light Allmarle Island  
of Sea quarter ran down for it for to get more turpins.  
So Ends this day saw nothing as usual no ships around the Islands

Sunday August 18. Close to the Island of Allmarle  
called south head. for part of the day becalmed  
So Ends of all the barren Isls there are the worst  
sabbath Eve and no Communion



# In the Pacific Ocean Sperm Whaling

Monday August 19. Off Alameda Isl In shore and nearly a calm at 12 A M a horn stand into the bay at 2 P M keep off for Lee bay at 5 off the Weather point sent the Mate & Starboard boat a fishing got a number so Ends by lying with head yards aback.

Tuesday August 20

This day commences with light wind head into Lee bay saw 2 green turtle Middle the wind blow in stand into head of bay at 2 P M tack ship and stand out. latter calm

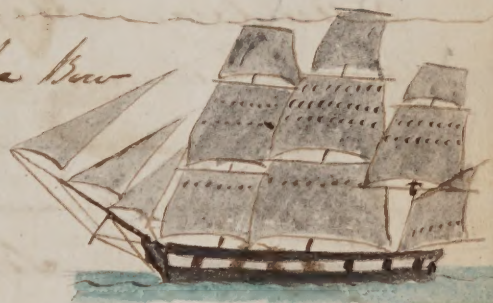
Wednesday August 21.

This day light wind saw Black fish at 9 A M saw 2 sail to the south saw a number finbacks at 3 P M spoke Bark Franklin and Ship Boy of Warren 400. Boy do 90 lbs at sunset go outboard



Thursday August 22

This morn the ship and Bark of our lee bay all working to the windward at 9 o'clock all standing to West Virginia 4 miles to windward so Ends this day saw nothing



Friday August 23.

This day com with good weather nothing in night but finbacks at 12 A M turtle soup served up for all hands latter saw fin Backs go up to bottom and a head 10 BBL

Saturday August 24. 1844

This day com good weather at 3 P M saw sperm whale



Starboard boat went on and galled waist got 1 calf



Sunday 25. 1844 One cow whale the 2 made 28 barrels at sunrise com cutting at 9 had them cut in at 12 the heads cleaned away and the blubber cut into home pieces and the try work going so Ends the head tryed out 10 BBL

Monday Aug 26

This day do weather at 8 A M finished boiling the blubber green and ground the two turn up 25 barrels Wash the decks and a watch below this day saw nothing o c

Tuesday Aug 27 This day fine weather saw nothing Middle and latter the same so Ends.

Seamster American



# Remarks Onboard Ship Virginia

Cruising around the Galapagos Isls

Wednesday August 28. heading East by North good weather and plenty of fin backs in sight so Ends this day with

27 Barrels of Sperm oil on Deck! 6 mo since the last oil got

Thursday Aug 29 This day head to S West fine weather the <sup>the</sup> <sup>sun</sup> ~~sun~~ <sup>sun</sup> maker comes down strong Middle the same nothing to do and plenty to help do it at PM tack ship so Ends by carrying sail through the night. at sunset.

Friday Aug 30 Saw a Large Sperm Whale spout ten or 12 times and then turn flukes. what luck! why could we not see him in the day time. Hard luck in the Virginia

Saturday Aug 31. Saw a number of fin backs the Capt has made a large sail for Starboard boat so Ends this day near ship and head for land E & East

Sunday September 1st. ~~1844~~ 1844.

This day commences with light wind as usual we just make out to hold our own Lat 1d. 30 miles south the line our chance of getting a voyage is miserable so Ends this Sabbath day No Seannette

Monday Sept 2d

This day commences with light wind Middle and latter the same so Ends with seeing nothing as most of the days does this Eve In Bethel Prayer Meeting Eve and I am here so Ends.

Tuesday Sept 3d Seannette

The weather good with a calm we keep all sail on the ship and cannot hold our own without a good breeze so Ends saw black just at night

Wednesday Sept 4.

This day a calm them men forward employed in making teeth for their scrub brushes a plenty scrubbing Mornings sent down main royal hant and bent the royal and sent it up

Thursday Sept 5th

Moderate nearly calm some employed stripping brace blocks some fitting their scrub brushes for their to plenty of working and scrubbing decks on board this craft. Thursday Eve and No Seannette.

Friday Sept 6th. 1844.

This day com with a good breeze head E & S strong current tending to North West we make but little to windward every all sail night and day



# Joseph Chace Master 1844.

Saturday Sept. 7th 1844. ten months out to day  
This day commences with light S East Wind Middle and latter the same  
Sunday Sept 8. " " " " " " " " " " " "

This day com with light winds saw Hump Back Middle fresh  
breen from the Alameda Isl south head ran into the bay  
and tacked ship at 5 o'clock heading to S West so Ends

Sunday Eve O Lord Draw nigh unto thy children who are as  
scattered this Evening in little praying circles about the world  
give the spirit of grace and supplications May their faith  
take a strong hold of the promises of God, and thus kindle  
their zeal for the conversion of the world. John

Monday Sept 9. 1844. --- at the Gallapagos Isles.

This day fresh trade winds fit pendants to the main braces  
Middle light Wind so Ends. Eve. If I was to the seamen Bethel

Tuesday Sept 10. --- --- --- --- ---

This day light Wind sent down fore sail repaired it and sent it  
Up. A small jar in the after part of the Virginia with the heads of  
the Family so Ends 8 PM pleading the case them selves. - O Dear

Wednesday September 11. --- --- --- --- ---

after a storm comes a calm some rain in morning clear  
of fit man top Gall stay. and fore top Gallant stay with look-  
ing eye all for a rumbling so Ends.

Thursday Sep 12

This day fine like all the rest no fish so Ends. This day

Friday Sep 13 This day men of to N N East stow down 28 bbls  
sperm oil between decks and cooper 50 barrels of black  
fish oil so Ends haul up courses and haul on the Wind to East

Saturday 14 Sep This day weather fine as usual saw land  
of the Lee bow 2 points Alameda one of Gallapagos Is. saw a number  
sulph Bottoms and black fish. 4 of us 15 hours Bought a piece of cloth <sup>48 yds</sup> 45¢

Sunday 15 Sep --- --- --- \$2 solid etc  $\frac{45}{45} \frac{0}{0}$   
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Saw Fin Backs and sulph Bottom land of Lee bow cany and  
set the main top at sunset strong breeze so Ends some rain.

Monday 16 Sep This day fine saw land 2 head Whales we  
saw a number of Fin Backs so Ends close to Land a back  
the head yards intend to land tomorrow.



~~~~~ John Francis Esq'r ~~~~~

My Life Is Like The Scattered Wreck

My life is like the scattered wreck  
Cast by the waves upon the shore  
The broken mast the rifted deck  
Tell of the ship's wreck that is o'er:  
Yet from these relics of the storm  
The Mariner his raft will form  
Again to tempt the faithless sea;  
But hope rebuilds no bark for me

~~~~~  
My life Is like the Highted Oak.  
That lifts its scar and withered form,  
Scathed by the lightning's sudden stroke  
Sternly to meet the coming storm.

Yet round that sapless trunk will turn  
The curling tendrils of the vine  
And life and freshness that impart  
Not to the passions Highted heart.

~~~~~  
My life Is like a desert rock,  
In the mid ocean lone and drear:  
Worn by the wild waves' ceaseless shock,  
That round its base their surges rear;

Yet there the sea-moss still will cling  
Some flower will find a cleft to spring  
And breathe, ere there a sweet perfume  
For me life's flowers no more will bloom

~~~~~  
From long John and Perry  
invariable to his career

Ship Virginia 10 mo out nothing 1006  
A hard one for crew and owners

Sept 10. 1844. No more



# Shakings and Sayings!

Chit Chat odds and Ends

Bad luck to him who drives a gad  
Addicted on the road to stumble;  
For if it forward fall, egad!  
Tis ten to one he cut will stumble,

Swells should not drive who are not dabs—  
Their sport by spilling may be ended;  
And damocles who are shot from cats  
Sometimes show more than they intended.

Charity; A Box with a hole in top

A Tender Query

I thought she loved me, for her soft blue eye.  
Looked on me mildly as the summer sky;  
Her tender tones removed each passing doubt.  
Gently I pressed her for the promised bliss  
She asked me softly as I stole a kiss  
'Sir, does your anxious Mother know you're out.

original Scam

Happy Land

Old England's blessed and favoured clime!  
Where paupers to thy prisons run:  
Where poverty is the only crime  
That angry justice frowns upon.

Youth like the Spring will soon be gone,  
In rolling years and conquering death;  
Our morning sun may set at noon,  
And leave us ever in the dark.

May the grace of Christ our Saviour  
And the Father's boundless love  
With the Holy Spirit's favour  
Rest upon us from above.

Sunday Eve Sep 30. 1844.



# John Francis Olin

The hardy sailor braves the ocean  
Fearless of the roaring wind  
Yet his heart with soft emotion  
Shrinks to leave his love behind.  
Yet his heart he  
To dread of foreign foes a stranger  
Though the youth can dauntless roam  
Shunning fear paint every danger  
In a trial left at home  
Yet his heart he

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## Farewell

Then fare thee well my own dear love  
This world is now for us  
No greater grief nor pain above  
The pain of parting thee dear love  
The pain of parting thee  
Had we but known since first we met  
Some few short hours of bliss  
We might in numbering them forget  
The deep deep pain of this dear love  
The deep deep he  
But no bliss were never seen  
One glimpse of pleasure's ray.  
But still there came some cloud between  
And chased it all away, dear love  
And chased it all he  
Yet even could these sad moments last  
Far dearer to my heart  
Were hours of grief to gather part  
Than years of mirth dear love  
Than years of mirth spent dear love  
Farewell our hopes was born in fears  
And nursed amid vain regrets  
Like winter suns it rose in tears  
Like them in tears it sets, dear love  
Like them in tears it sets  
John F. Olin the sad remains of an ill spent life.



To Scannette. How Sickning, my sedull:

I've seen the darkened warning cloud  
Curl o'er the sea at night;  
And still, beneath the mantle proud  
The stars were dawning bright;  
Still I can see that lovely eye  
Though hid beneath the mantle brow.

Still I can view the smiling beam  
That glows upon thy cheek;  
Those chidings which so fearful seem,  
In sweetest friendship speak.  
They tell that thou hast still a heart,  
And from thy charms I never can part.

Scannette I swear no power above  
Would make my tongue deceive,  
Or make my heart forget to love.  
Couldst thou my vows believe:  
No power but thine can rule my heart.  
And from thy charms I never can part.

Ask of the angels in the sky  
If I can change my love  
The cherubs would in joy reply:  
His friendship cannot love  
Believe his vows, thou never shalt sigh.  
Nor tear fall from thine angel eye."

Scannette I love but thee alone  
I cannot view another's charms  
That love which I can call my own.  
Is that which fond affection burns.  
Scannette then smile again in peace  
And let thy doubts and chidings cease.

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John F. Whinn  
Ship Virginia at sea



# Dry Times Onboard Ship Virginia 10<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> Mount 125

Cruising around the Gallapagos Islands. Sep 16

Tuesday Sept 17. 1844. Charles Island a little   
at 7 am the Capt and Starboard Boat go on shore for potatoes and fruit. came onboard at 9 o'clock Empty

Wednesday Sept 18. " " " "  40

This & Mil. to windward of Charles Is. at 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> past 8 saw a small  
breach and proved to be sperm whale bowed and galled them full  
and the Larboard Boat struck one took him along side at 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> am  
at 12 past five had him cut in so Ends try matches.

Thursday Sept 19. 1844 " " " "  50

This morning at 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> A.M. saw sperm whale  
sawed and chased them 4 hours and the Starboard Boat struck a  
small bull took him to ship and cut him in 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours start the work.

Friday Sept 20.

Continued with light wind and near Charles Island boiling  
25 barrels of head oil turned up. Middle saw Sulph bottom.

latter nothing, so Ends boiling, Mokes hot so as to get on fire & 21 Sep  
Sat. this morning at 5 A.M. Cool down the fire with about 75  
barrels sperm oil on deck. Middle and latter nearly calm  
saw no more sperm whales. so Ends this day.

Sabbath Day 22 Sep

This day nothing worth remarking saw fin back, the land  
of the beam a strong current setting to South so Ends.

Monday Sept 23

At daylight break out for to store down. Mid pump the salt water  
from the ground tier on starboard side store down 75 barrels  
of this finished 25 of the the making now 200 lbs sperm oil

Tuesday 24.

Today good weather break out the fire hole for shooks.

At 2 P.M. Washed off the decks at 3 saw a sail

and spoke her the Spartan of Kentucky

10. Me out 250 yds at 5 P.M. saw a sail

Wednesday 25. Hood Island of Lee

Calmer weather strong breeze saw a sail

of the lee beam ran down before the wind

and spoke ship. Tilton 29 m out 700 sperm

hard luck. heard from several ships

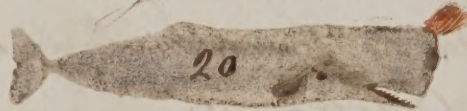




Off The Gallapagos Is.  
Ship Virginia Joseph Chace Master Sep. 1844.

Thursday Sept 26. 1844. This morning strong breeze the Spartan on the weather bow at 10 AM tacked Ship and run off. Saw a sail of the lee beam at 1 PM. Saw brackes proved to be sperm whale coming quick to windward. Mate went on and got some and missed. Second I went on darter and do. Starboard Boat got 1 small cow come on board and cut in the whale at 8 PM a boat came on board from the Wm Mirt 24 Mo out 1900 barrels At 12 AM fin

Friday Sept 27. 1844. This morning the Wm Mirt to leeward Capt. Goes on board and spends the day at 12 o'clock we cooled down the whale turned up 20 barrels



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Saturday Sept 28. 1844. Close to Wm Mirt and 5 mile to landward of Charles Island the Triton of our weather beam Middle and latter saw nothing but Fin Backs. So Ends With gaming with the Triton Sabbath Day. Sept 29. " " " " " " " " " " " "

This morning Wm Mirt of lee beam Middle and latter saw nothing. Another week has rolled into Eternity. Another Sabbath is given us as a market day for our souls to profit by. So Ends.

Sunday Sept 30. 1844. This day good weather but saw nothing. So Ends 3 prayers at the Bethel this Evening.

Monday October 1st. This day light rains and misty at 12 AM saw a sail running for Charles Is. supposed the Spartan

Tuesday Oct 2. 1844. This day good weather the Cooper setting up shacks. saw a sail



Wednesday Oct 3. This day calm with light wind and strong current setting to the West. So Ends saw nothing

Thursday Oct 4. This light air and strong current drifting to northward South head in sight off deck. So Ends set the gyal

Friday Oct 5. This day a good breeze make Charles Island 3 points of the lee bow current strong. So Ends this week without seeing any whale. Gammas Broom



## Cruising Around the Galapagos Isles

Sunday Oct 6. 1844. Now commence another week and may we be fortunate enough to get or see Whal.  
 Juanette Bismore

Monday Oct 7 .. " " " " " "

This day commences with light S.E. Wind Now bound into port as soon as we can get in. So Ends saw Nothing Set the M. royal  
 Tuesday Oct 8. 1844.

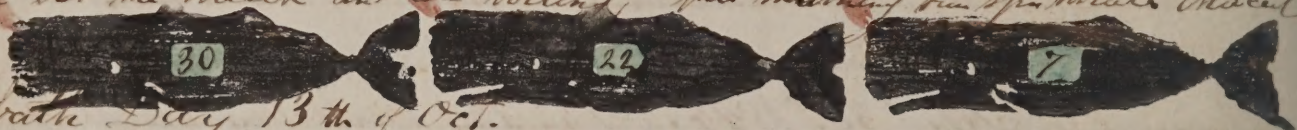
This day light breezes heading E by South Middle do latter more strong set the royal at sundown so Ends for Port  
 Wednesday October 9. " " " " " "

This day fresh breezes from South and a strong current setting to the Westward. heading E by South saw Nothing O. Juanette  
 Thursday October 10.

This day good Weather saw Black fish close to very large ones at work on Haggin at 4 P.M. saw a sail of lee beam

Friday October 11. 1844.

This good like all the others In this latitude at 10 A.M. saw sperm whale lowered and got 3 whales and 1 calf 2 boats stove and one capsized at  
 Saturday Oct 12. 3 P.M. commence cutting in at 7 P.M. have them cut in set the watch and on boiling. This morning saw sperm whale chased



Sabbath Day 13th of Oct.

This day boiling at 9 am move ship and head in shore at 6 P.M. finish boiling the whale turn up 60 Barrels Making 280 Blk  
 Monday Oct 14. 1844.

This morning Wash of the Decks and watch below strong breeze saw Nothing Repairing the Starboard Boat so Ends  
 Tuesday Oct 15.

This day fresh breezes from the East finished mending the and coopered the oil saw Black fish so Ends this day  
 Wednesday 16th.

Boats and coopered the oil and stowed down 80 barrels of sperm oil, the Bismore 290 sperm 50 Black fish 340 in all so Ends this day saw Nothing

Thursday 17. 1844. This day strong breezes from the S East Repairing Parks Middle and latter fine saw Nothing so Ends & quite ready for more whales.  
 O. Juanette



# Ship Virginia Bound Into Payta Oct 18. 1844

Friday Oct 18. Strong breezes take in fore top Gallsail part the fly jib guy and replace it with two new ones the cooper setting up Shookers for fresh water so Ends heading S. West

Saturday Oct 19. 1844. This day com with fresh breezes heading to East at 7 A M tack ship stand to the Westward the Cooper setting up fresh water pipes so Ends Lat 3.50

Sabbath Day Oct 20. This day strong breeze heading to Eastward at 3 P M took in fly jib so Ends this day one man quite sick has stood the watch since since last port. he has ruined himself and will never be a well man

Lat 3.54 D.

Monday 21. Oct 1844. This day fresh breezes heading to Eastward Middle tack to the South so Ends

This Eve is Prayer Meeting Ev at the M. W. Bethel

Tuesday Oct 22. 1844

This morning commence breaking out the after hold hant all the Flour and Bread on deck and most of the Meat and cooper it. and stow down pipes for fresh water so Ends

Wednesday Oct 23.

This day com with light Wind Middle tack to the East Tilted 2 new Ring stoppers for the Snickers so Ends

Thursday Oct 24. 1844.

This day com with light breezes at 10 A M saw the land Payta Head and at 5 P M came at Anchor saw 2 ships going out one English Ship lying at anchor

Friday 25 of Oct

This Morn the Capt goes to Market and gets a quart Pork Beef Potatoes Onions and for the boats crews works the bents. The Starboard Watch go on shore the Larboard coal tar the bents

Saturday 26 October This day, the Larboard Watch go on shore on Liberty the Capt sells 15 boxes sperm candles the Starboard Watch black the Starboard side of the bents so Ends this day quite sick of Payta Nothing but mud houses stuck on the sand



# Ship Virginia Lying at Anchor Pata

Sunday Oct 27. 1844. " " " "

This Morning Starboard Watch go on shore on liberty at 12 Am a boat from the shore came along side with Ladies from Pata to visit the ship but more to get something to eat

Monday Oct 28

This day like all the rest fine and hot the Starboard Watch go on shore on liberty. two men did not return this morn suppose them to have run away

Tuesday 29 " " " " " "

This day Starboard Watch go on shore the Starboard got of potatoes. so Ends. the Bark Roscius Lying off and on. We go on board of her. get two letters for Mate &c

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Wednesday this day at day break Sprung ling as usual at Sunrise the fore topsail loosed a signal for sailing. No more Liberty 1 watch 3 days the other two. O Thore generous. Neither Mouse or long tailed Pat. so Ends by clearing at 4 P M. came on board the Starboard boat with Capt. leave short and fire a Gun receive 3 Cheers from Ship Wm Nichols. We ship one green Maniard In the place of three men that left us. some curious Morn on board this ship Thursday Oct 31.

This day good weather saw Bark Roscius of Le quarter the men employed stowing away onions for sea use. Middle of day saw 5 Fish and hump Backs so Ends

Friday Nov 1. 1844.

This commence with light Winds saw Black Fish the Bark of Lee put saw more Black fish at 5 P M he In shore he aback at Night so Ends

Saturday Nov 2 d 1844.

The fore part of this day rather thick. Middle clear break out the sun for to make a potatoe pen Middle stow down latter the Capt & Mate have a fall out. this is the third time. the Capt has ordered the Mate of Duty Mr Vincent takes his place or charge so Ends Very great Encouragement for a voyage as for my part I am tired of the voyage and I consider it ruined. and wish myself out of the ship; for when Mr Worth leaves this ship the main stay has left. so Ends the main yard aback this night



Sunday Nov 31 off Paita Head. ~~~~~ 1877.

Sunday Nov 29 1844 This morn foggy Middle do better  
Clear Steering E N East Shorten sail at 6 P M. No Ends this  
day after a Storm Comes a Calm. Now quite Moderate with  
four looks. O for a lodge in some vast wilderness.

Monday Nov 4th 1844.

This Morn at day light a shower of rain which is quite un-  
common near Kata. No land in sight. And nearly calm  
Intended to get in to day. Saw nothing so Ends this day.

Tuesday 5 of Nov This day commence with light wind  
at 10 Am make the land and steer N East for Pata at  
6 P.M down abreast of the harbor. haul of shore under  
short sail. so Ends this day saw hump backs,

Wednesday Nov 6. " " " " " "

This morning nearly calm and 12 miles to leeward of  
Pata at 8 AM The Capt goes on shore to get 2 deserters  
And to Land Mr Worth. he goes on shore to the American  
Consul, office a Consultation is held. the Consuls for him  
to come back but it is of no use. he takes his discharge  
and get a passage on board the U S Sch Shark bound to  
Panama. thence across land home. We bring off two  
Mar that run a way. And one boat steered Ken while  
we were on the Pier the Water boat steerer John H. Stocum  
at 5 PM we come on board brace forward make all sail  
for Tomba Moderate thro the night Mr Vincent now  
Mate Mr Luce second and myself bring up the rear

This Morn after Washing decks saw spee Whales and  
Black fish together off deck lowered three boats the Secd  
Mate Mr Juca struck a small Bull the Capt killed  
took him along side at 8 A M at 11. had him cut I saw the  
W & sch Shark while cutting running down I saw at 3  
commence boiling the head at 6 o'clock set the watch  
so Ends this day a good begining for so soon a cruise  
We are one year from home to day so Ends this again.





Ship Virginia In sight of Bomber bound in 20 miles distant

Friday November 8<sup>th</sup> 1844. Bomber. 

This morn at 3 o'clock haul up and run N. East by N. clean the lean oil out the pots, &c. At 12. & 1 M saw the Ships on Bomber point. At 1 P M came at Anchor in 5 fathoms. Watter broke out the fore and main holes. And took a raft of 18 Watter casks on shore.

Saturday Nov 9.

This morn at daylight got breakfast two boats crew go after the Watter fill it and get it on board start it in to fore and main hole.

at 12 o'clock an number of Ladies came on board to see the ship. So Ends this day quite tired. a poor place to lie at anchor and large breakers to tow the Wood and Watter through.

Sunday Nov 10.

At daylight saw a Merchant ship at Anchor outside the Bar.

at 8 o'clock hove short and made some sail on the Virginia being Sunday. More to keep the men on board than any thing else got the boat down and tow. kedged the ship and humbug until noon.

Monday Nov 11.

This morn breakfast at daylight take a raft of casks on shore and fill them the Capt got some pumpkins storing in fore hole break out the after for filling with Watter. at 5 P M the 2 boats get the raft alongside and hoist it in. So Ends The Capt has brought on board another dog in place of the one he set ashore but no men.

Tuesday Nov 12.

This morning commence storing Watter in the after Hole run down 50 keels. have now 225 Barrels of fresh Watter one more raft of 75 Bbls to come off. pull into the breakers could not stem the tide pulled back to ship. sold 15 Bbls of Fish oil and 11 boxes candles.

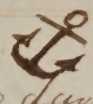
Wednesday Nov 13 A Boat with Capt and 5 Spaniards lifted in breakers. Spawred a dog all came on board and changed their clothes. Very glad to come off to Well. This day land the Spaniards on the point at low Watter to make tide to get a raft on shore the boat returned at 1. P M. at 2 P M the Capt went on board a sch for fruit that was bound to Pata.

Thursday Nov 14.

This morn Wash off the Decks then breakfast at 10 A M take a small raft of 12 casks on shore fill them with Watter and get them down to the point and make fast the tide to low. get off 1 Boat load of Wood saw and cut it and stow it away so Ends at.



# Ship Virginia at Tombz. Nov 1844.

This is the worst place that ever I lie at anchor at for two days  
There has been so much swell and surf on the bar that we  
could not get a raft on shore or get any thing off from the shore  
Friday Nov 15. 

This morning go on shore for the last raft of water at 9 AM get it  
off to the ship at 9 AM the Banca or Lanch came along side  
with 17 barrels of Sweet Potatoes. sold her 4 barrels of Black fish  
stowed down the water in the main hold. In the afternoon  
brought of 1 load Wood Lemons Cocoa nuts Bananas &c &c  
Saturday Nov 16. 1844. 

This morning at day light go on shore and get a boat load of  
Wood. The Banca came along side with 80 barrel of  
Comoties or Potatoes. at 1 PM go on shore ship. an Man and  
a boy Spaniards. at 5 PM get Underweigh and stand out to  
sea all sail set to End Enough of Tombz. 

Sunday Nov 17. off Soundings. Lat 3. 15 south  
This morning unbend the chain, and run them down below  
sun fin and hump Back. Middle and latter saw nothing  
so Ends glad enough to get to sea once more

Monday Nov 18. 1844.

This morn secure the Anchor on the Bower and set up the  
jib and Fly jib stays Fit the boots and so Ends can work

Tuesday Nov 19.

This day come West employed at the rigging Hoisting Blocks  
&c so Ends this day saw nothing

Wednesday Nov 20. 1844.

This day fine course W. N. West Employed in fitting the ship  
Middle saw 2 schools Black Fish latter haul to on the Wind  
haul up the courses. so Ends

Thursday Nov 21.

This day on the Wind for the off shore ground the Watch employed  
as usual at ships duty taring serving &c carpentering fit a frame  
to a drip Stern saw Nothing so Ends Thursday Eve an Harbormaster  
I shall be a happy man when I get my feet once more on the  
shore of America. I will strike the first man that asks me to  
come around Cape Horn. States Prison preferable



# Ship Virginia Bound to the Off Shore Ground 1844.

Friday November 22. 1844.

This day fine Fleding to the S West Put the Starboard boat on the crane, take the old one on the beavers. Send down the Main Royal and Mend it. And Mizen B Gall Sail. . . Set Royal to Ends

Saturday 23

Fine course West South West all sail set. Send down Mizen Topsail Repair it and send it aloft again

Middle Sun B Fick So Ends This day and week

Sabbath Day 24. Nov 1844.

Here I am this Blessed Sabbath. ploughing the ocean destitute of all christian priviledges. While My brethren and Sisters enjoy the Sanctuary of the Most high. Here I have no one one to give me a word of Comfort. But Blessed be God I am not alone. I have my Bible to point out the way to Mount Zion. This day good weather and light S E wind trade winds course W S West Middle and latter the same, set the Royal

Monday 25 Nov 1844. This day do saw humpback, Mudas and latter the same sang out from Mast head spe whale found hump back. sent the sperm oil 20 barrels of deck between decks. So Ends this day. This Ev is the Watch prayer meet

Tuesday Nov 26. 1844.

This day pleasant unbent the Fore Topsail and Repair it and send it up Middle and latter saw Nothing So Ends this day

Wednesday Nov 27. 1844.

This morning unbent Main Topsail Repair it and send it up at 1. P M saw fin Backs

Lat 5. 10 Sout and Long 100. 40 West

Thursday Nov 28.

This day good weather at day light saw a sail of sun be beam Middle Moderate wore ship and head for sail

at 2 P M spoke the W M West of S E

2000 barrels So Ends this with a gun

the capt came here and our Mate goes aboard of her got some blacksmith work done





# Ship Virginia on the Off Shore Ground

Friday Mar 29.

At daylight saw 2 sail 1 on the Weather Bow 1 on the Weather quarter. Middle and latter saw nothing of the fish kind at 4 P.M. ran off and spoke ship Thigail of N.B. 12 No 500 so Ends Capt Barnard comes on board with letter for me

Saturday Mar 30

This day fine heding off. at 7 A.M. tacke ship head to East at 10 A.M. saw a sail 2 points off the lee bow on the opposite tack call her the Thigail Middle and latter fine saw nothing so Ends another week and no fish had luck



Sunday December 1st 1844.

This Morning a sail in sight ahead a long distance off Middle and latter fine saw no whales

Monday Dec 2d.

This Mon tacke ship and head to the Eastward a sail 2 points off the lee bow call the Ann and down the Main Top Gall sail and repair it and send it again. saw fin back so Ends this day



Tuesday Dec 3

Fine weather and no fish carry all sail to get to Windward Middle and latter fine saw no fish at sundown take in the top Gall sails fly job so Ends

Wednesday Dec 4. 1844.

Commence with fresh breezes at 12 A.M. wore ship head to East and Middle and latter saw nothing

Thursday Dec 5th This morning saw fin B. and subj. B. called them sperm whale Middle kept the ship off N.W. end

Friday Dec 6 1844.

This morning at 7 o'clock saw sperm whale

3 points on the Weather Bow at 9 o'clock chased them galled them. they went to Windward saw them breacking at sunset so Ends great encouragement

Saturday Dec 7

This day stary breeze saw nothing Middle and latter the same shorten sail and back Main top sail all night





# Ship Virginia Off Shore. 1844.

Sabbath Day Dec 8. 1844

This day commences with fresh breezes Middle and latter the same  
Monday Dec 9. th 1844. Lat 3. 45 South

This day commences with good weather And no fish all down  
in the month no prospect of our seeing or getting any Whales.

Tuesday Dec 10. Another day has passed away with the same  
success. I wish that had never seen the Virginia or Cape Horn

Wednesday Dec 11.

This day commences with fresh breezes Middle do  
better saw sport and hauled aback main yard saw it  
no more. course through the day N.W. West. aback at night

Thursday 12th 1844.

This day ran off N.W. West fine weather saw a fin Back  
I should like to be with my boys this eve. But I cant com at

Friday 13. Dec

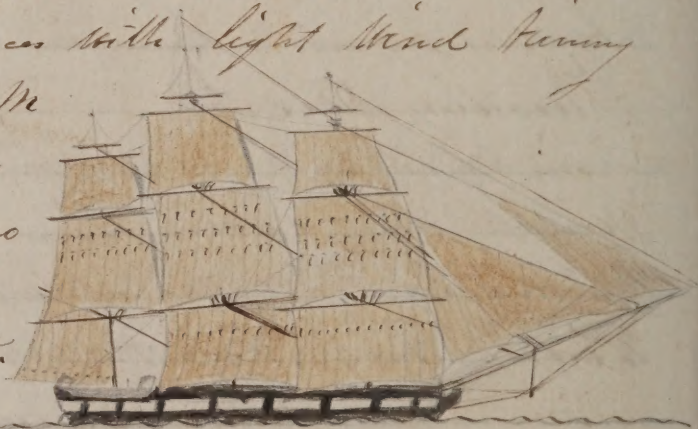
This day good weather unbend fore top Gall sail Repair it and send  
it up saw fin Backs fore part day course N.W. East.

Saturday 14 Dec This day commences with light wind running  
North West Middle do at 4 P.M.

saw a sail of. Le beam boiling  
run off and at 9 o'clock spoke Callao

Porton 25 mo 2400, 1800 wheels 600 spm

Capt Chase goes on board so ends getting



Sunday December 15. 1844. This day commences with light  
wind the callao off her beam at 12 o'clock she was of 4 points of  
aback the beam cannot sail with the Virginia at 4 o'clock ran  
off and gun with her. so ends saw fin back. In eve saw Black Dick

Monday December 16.

This day commences with fine weather saw Black Dick at day light  
run of N.W. East. saw fin Back.

Tuesday Dec 17. 1844. This day fine saw a sail  
in the weather quarter Middle and latter fine course  
N.E. to N. cany sail all night



Wednesday Dec 18.

Running N.W. West all this day saw nothing so ends running N.W. East



# Ship Virginia Off Shore Dec. 1844.

Thursday Dec 19. 1844.

Charlotte B. Moore

At daylight left of N. E. East Middle course North West saw nothing  
Friday December 20. 1844.

This day fine morning free Middle and latter do at  
night hauled to on the Wind heading S. W. by South

Saturday December 21.

This Morning run of N. W. West Middle hauled to head  
ing West & West so Ends tack: Ship. Sunset saw Nothing

Sabbath Day Dec 22. 1844.

This sabbath day I feel to bless god for his goodness in sparing  
my unprofitable life through another week, to see one more  
of his holy Sabbaths

O for a thousand tongues to sing

My dear Redeemers Name and praise.

Though I am destitute of sanctuary privileges yet I thank  
god I can lift up my heart to him who has said. Come unto  
me all ye that are weary and heavy laden. And I  
will give you rest. So Ends This day fine saw corfish  
and poppises

Monday Dec 23. fine weather and fresh breezes saw porpoise  
and corfish so Ends heading N. & West.

Tuesday Dec 24 Nothing worth remarking strong  
breezes kill a pig for a Christmas dinner. saw the Comet

Christ Mass December 25. Wednesday 1844.

This day fine weather working to the south. No Whales, no ship.  
In sight. 12 o'clock all hands employed eating fresh pork.

Thursday Dec 26

Saw Nothing as usual so Ends heading S. & West.

Friday Dec 27 Saw blackfish

This day employed making hunt gaskets. Manxperde

Saturday Dec 28 Lat 1.50 south

This day saw nothing making spun yarn hunt gaskets. Sebe

Sunday Dec 29 fine weather and small fish caught one  
albacore and one skipjack so Ends this day

Monday Dec 30

This Mon saw a sail at 2 P M spoke I Herald to mount 600 from Maine



Ship Virginia off Shore December 1<sup>st</sup> 1844.

Youth like the spring will soon be gone  
In rolling years and conquering death.  
Our morning sun may set at noon  
And leave us over the dark.

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~~~~~ To Scamette.

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Ship Virginia at sea New Years Day May it be a happy  
year to the world May they enjoy health peace and plenty  
Vain man thy fond pursuits forbear  
Repent thine end is nigh  
Death at the furthest cant be far.  
"Think before thou die."  
~~~~~ To John Francis

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And now I will give a word to my unconverted friends  
My fellow travelers to eternity - the compassionate Saviour is waiting  
to invite you to his arms of Mercy. Yes he invites you by all the joys  
of heaven. He promises to forgive your sins. to cleanse your hearts  
to comfort you in all the sorrows of life. And to support you in  
death. He pleads the worth of your souls. O come and your souls  
shall live, and escape the Miseries of eternal woe. O come now  
and prepare for heaven. If you neglect. it will be sad sorrow to  
your death bed. to reflect that a price was put in your hands to  
get wisdom. but you did not improve it. Consider that time is short.  
Many of our friends and acquaintances are gone to the World of Spirits  
and there is but a step between us and death. The day and means  
of grace can be enjoyed but a little longer. Soon must we know the  
joys of heaven. Or the Miseries of eternal death. Are you young. The  
gloom of death may soon hang around your grave.  
O Embrace life that you may live forever. To you who are advanced  
in life. God is yet giving you calls to return. And offer you  
pardon and salvation through Jesus Christ

To Miss Susan B.



1845  
West

She

Ship Virginia off Shore Lat 5.25 South Long 108.20

Wednesday December 31. st and last of " " " " 1844.  
This morn strong breezes heading to S West under short  
sail Middle set the S G sail and Jib.  
at 12 saw the Herald of Lee beam by her  
we got news from Japan and the N West  
fleet which the most of them done it up  
right so ends this day saw nothing.



New Years Day January the 1st 1845  
Wednesday fine weather and we fish the R out of sight  
Thursday January 2d 1845 " " " " " "  
This day good weather saw nothing strong breezes. Lat 5.55 S  
at 1 o'clock broke out blubber soon coopered black fish oil  
Friday Jan 3. d " " " " " " " "  
This day calm and ends like many others with out seeing any  
fish the gaskets. Lat 4.55 S Long 108.20 but saw squid  
Saturday 4. strong breeze light sails. In heading N East back  
at 12 A M stand to South dry times O Scannette  
saw black fish

Sabbath Day Jan 5. 1845 I feel to bless god that he has guided  
me through another week in safety and may he still continue  
so to do so ends this day saw nothing. Sabbath Eve in Scannette

Monday Jan 6. Heading East by North saw nothing.

Tuesday do 7 Mended Mainsail and repair it and  
sent it up saw nothing so ends (this is Birkel prayer meet)

Wednesday Squally at 1 A M carried away fly jib Birn

\* Carry sail night and day like jehue or Flying Dutchman \*

Thursday Jan 8. 1845

This day strong breezes heading N East all sail set day and

Friday Jan 10. " " " " " "

This day strong wind heading N E by East took in fore  
and Miz J gall sails. The Driest times ever known

Saturday January 11.

Came with fresh breezes tack ship at 6 A M head S. West fore and Miz

J gall sails. In the Comet to be seen every night wonderful

lights signs in the Heavens. Comet first seen 24 of Decemr

1844. heading to the Eastward. Saturday Night to West Head

and moves



## 1845 Remarks Onboard Ship Virginia So. Bruce Master

Off Shore Ground. January 1845.

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> January. Fresh breezes and squally  
 spoke the Ship Clementine of Bremen 1700 from  
 the North West Coast go on board  
 of her she is a large splendid  
 ship for N West Whaling 700  
 Tons carries 6000 barrels

Monday January 13<sup>th</sup> 45

Fresh breezes heading E &amp; N Middle and latter the same.

Tuesday 14. of Jan. 1845 " " " " South  
 heading East by North with all sail set so Ends Lat 4.20

Wednesday 15 Jan Long 101. 31 West Lat. 4. 100

" " " Fine weather heading East at 12 tacked ship

Thursday 16. 1845 " " " " " "

Good weather heading to West at 12 tack to East

Friday 17. January " " " " " "

L.B. This day the same heading East by South so Ends

Saturday 18. Jan. This day good weather and fresh breezes

at 11 am saw 1000 Whales lowland and got 1 to the  
 Boat. Now boat (Missed one) at half past 2 com cutting fair piece and off head

Sunday January 19. 1845 day light com cutting at 11 AM  
 had him cut in at 3 commence boiling at 6 o'clock set the watch

Monday Jan 20. Still boiling. commence on the Body

This day good weather saw Nothing, got good heat on the fire.

Tuesday January 21. 45 This morning 5 o'clock cool down

Saw Black fish and fin backs so Ends. time 1/2 7.3 1/2

Wednesday Jan 22. 1845 " " " " " "

This day fine heading to S West at 12 am tack ship to East

Thursday Jan 23. This morning took out Main hole to stow down

20 barrels of things and lost Whale 20) make 90 keels. 760 barrels when

Friday Jan 24. Yesterday saw 1000 Whales chased them without

success. finish stowing down today and wash decks so Ends

Saturday Jan 25 " " " " " "

This day saw fin backs and large pieces of squid good whale

ground at 2 PM fill a heap have but 3 more left

for one look at the very valuable Cannella



# 1845. Journal of Ship Virginia Off Shore Ground

~~~~~ Sunday Jan 26, 1845. ~~~~~

This week com with strong breezes at 2 P M saw a sail 1 Point on the beam

Monday 27 this fine saw nothing so Ends this day

Tuesday 28. Good Weather saw breacher run off

for them saw them no more at 1 P M saw a sail

off the lee beam at 2 saw another standing to West

at 4 1/2 spoke the Stanton and Clarkson of Mant

so Ends this day all the officer gaming.

Wednesday 29. this strong breeze the Clarkson off the Weather Boar saw

nothing this day heading N. East. by East so Ends this day

Thursday 30 Jan) Strong Wind turning to South West saw nothing

shorten sail Double reef topsails for night the 3 tier for 9 miles

Whaler into with the ship & galley Friday 31st 1845 Jan

This day strong wind under White reef

sail and courses at 8 A M split the

rib sent him in and repair it and send it out same of 11 M

Middle hauled the. at 3 P M saw sperm Whales run into

them with the ship galleyed them lowered 2 boats and

chased them to windward. this is the third time the ship

been so near as to galley Whales. we don't deserve to get a

Saturday 1 February 1845

This Morning at Day light saw a lone Whale of the Weather

beam 1/2 mile off. bore ship lowered and chased him

with no success. came on board got breakfast. saw

him astern lowered two boats chased to windward so

hugged could not get near this boat the Dutch and

they beat the Devil. (When we do get a Whale

Sunday 2 d February 1845

Scamatta River

This day strong breezes under double reefed topsails. saw nothing

so Ends heading to S. West. at 2 P M took ship

Monday 3. February strong breezes under double reefed

topsails Middle and latter the same saw nothing

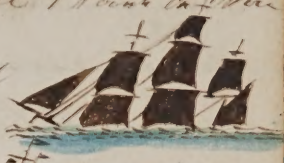
Tuesday 4 Feb 1845.

This day more moderate make sail on the ship at 12 noon

ship at 9 run of at 4 P M saw a sperm Whale on the Weather

quarter run over him with ship saw him off deck lowered with no

success chased till dark and gave up the chase

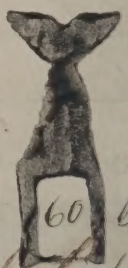




Journal of The Ship Virginia Feb 5<sup>th</sup> 1845

Wednesday 5. Feb We have seen Sperm Whale the times in 5 days and each time the ship has galled them twice they broke  
 scatter close to ship once the ship was men off into them  
 Now O Lord We beseech thee to look to our condition We are poor  
 and Needy. And With out thy help Lord We can do nothing  
 O Lord Will continue to show us the Whales and enable us  
 to get our ships belly full that we may return to home & family  
 rejoicing and then we will kiss the fatted Bull and then we  
 will have a blow out. O Lord continue With us Amen ~~~~~  
 ~~~~~ I Expect to see them soon now ~~~~~

Thursday, Feb 6 At Sunrise saw sperm whales  
lowered and struck a 60 barrel whale The Sturb  
boat at 9 o'clock AM the Maist and Now fasten  
the whale runs to leeward with the line foul cant  
get the whale near now any chance to bow on he  
then 9 hours then turned to windward secured  
and parted two lines lost 4 Irons 2 lances and 100 fathoms of line  
4 seems almost impossible for us to get 400 barrels



Friday, February 7 1845.

Commences good weather send out the fly jib and bend it set the tiggie and so ends this day by a doer harcing 4 pigs.

Saturday February 8. 1845 Strong breeze saw nothing make out the reefs and at 10 AM reef again so ends squally winter sail

Sabbath Day Feb 9. 1845 Make sail at day light  
at sunrise strong breezes at 12 AM keep topsails set  
the same saw nothing We are all alone on this ground

Monday Feb 10. 1845 Saw Nothing Tuesday Feb 11. <sup>11. #</sup> the same

Wednesday Dec 12. fine weather saw nothing

Thursday Feb 13. 1895 good weather and no fish

Friday 14. Saw nothing working to Wenden  
Saturday 15 the same with strong wind hard frost



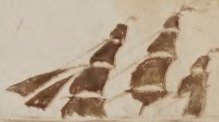
On The off Shore ground Lat 6.10 S Long 101.20 West.

1845 Sabbath Day 16. February  
February Strong breezes single reef the topsails. Saw Nothing



Monday 17. Under whole topsails. Saw the same  
Tuesday 18 Feb Make all sail at 10 Am Saw a lone  
Whale off the weather quarter. Call all hands lower  
Starboard & Main Boat. And chase him until 2 P.M.  
thence gave him up. Came on board. galled by the ship.  
going over him at 3 P.M. out sight to Windward

Wednesday February 19  
Lat 6.10 S Pleasant weather Middle and latter the same  
Long 101 W. With all sail set. at 5 P.M. saw a sail on  
the weather beam running before the wind



Thursday Feb 20. 1845

Commences with light wind and fine weather at 12 a.m.  
becom raining and squally latter the same double reef

Friday Feb 21. " " " " " "  
Strong breezes. Under double reefed topsails latter put  
under single reefed so Ends this 24 hours

Saturday 22 d Feb or General Washington's Birth Day  
killed a hog. The Father of America good weather saw nothing.



Sunday Feb 23. This is my Birth day 31 years old  
to day good weather saw nothing. (O Jenny this is Sun E)

Monday Feb 24. 1845. no more  
Saw breaches 4 points on the weather bow 16 miles. did not see

25 & 26 Feb Tuesday saw nothing strong breezes. Wednesday the same

27 Feb Thursday good weather sent down fore topsail to repair  
it and send it up and set it so Ends. saw nothing

Friday Feb 28 and last.

This day commence with rain get the cutting stages in  
the head and scrub the ship's bows. Middle men off  
West N. West latter squally with rain  
double reef the topsails and lie with head yards aback  
the night our time is very short here if we intend  
to go to Japan



# March 1st Ship Virginia Off Shore Ground

1845 Saturday 1st March good Weather Saw Nothing

Sunday 2d do com with rain Middle and latter the same Made No sail one watch on deck through the day

Monday 3d

Commences with rain Middle and latter much the same

Tuesday 4. do with squalls of rain latter clear so Ends

Wednesday 5th March good Weather send down Main topsail to repair

Thursday 6. March fine finish Topail and sent it up and bend it opening the fly jib beam in the fishing so Ends

Friday March 7. No Weather from home to day We are a poor

Unfortunate set. enough to Make us hang our heads send down the Fore sail and repair it and set it so Ends

Saturday March 8.

this fine Men W & West Middle W West send down Main Top sail and repair it at 1 o'clock send it up at night settle the Topails on the Cops and Men W West. (Bound In soon

Sunday March 9. 1845

This day com with fine weather course W & S latter saw a fin back. Sory times but a plenty salt home yet

Monday 10. March 1845.

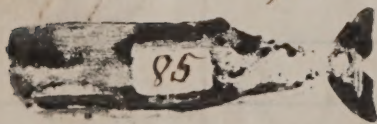
Course North West Middle the same latter take in Light Sail

Tuesday 11. March This day fresh breezes come W & N latter W & N West top sails on the caps through the night

Wednesday 12 March 1845

Strong Breezes Course West at 7 AM saw a lone Sperm Whale lowered and Larboard Boat struck him Starboard killed. Larboard Boat got badly stove and Mr Vincent got his leg broke 4 inches above the ankle. pick up

stoveen boat heardsy squalls with rain hoist in boat and stand on star board thick discouraged. at 3 PM ran off E & N East and at sunset saw the Dead Whale fin up lowered and took him along side and chained him up to ship shorten sail  
 Oh we are favoured with some good luck as well as bad. We want so more like him to put us on our journey home Mr Vincent leg as comfortabel as can be expected





Ship Virginia for the Sandwich Islands March 1845.

Thursday March 13. 1845.

This morning at daylight commence cutting the Whale skin the  
piece and get in the jaw before breakfast at 2 P.M. got the  
Body in and got dinner later The Sunk and Baid the case  
at hand days work at 6 1/2 set the watch. (Bailed 12 barrels  
saw at 7 start the works so Ends Turn in Bank

Friday March 14.

Cloudy Weather and Boiling at 2 P.M. finished head and  
commence on the body sent down main top side back rope  
torn out. Sent up another so Ends course by East boiling  
Watch set 4 1/2 barrels 30 barrels of head turned up

Saturday March 15.

This morning at 7 o'clock the Rubber all out of the Rubber  
room at 11 A.M. Boil the fat lean at 1 P.M. Wash the  
decks at 3 Cooper the oil the Whale turned up  
90 barrels so Ends course N.W. West all sail set

Sabbath Day March 16.

Lat 4.20 S Commences with light air N East Middle calm  
Lon 117. W. slatter light wind from E S East and cloudy so Ends

Monday March 17.

Commences with light air from S East course  
N West with all sail set Lat 4.00 South

Tuesday 18 light wind from S. West employed cooper  
ing the oil. course N.W. by West so Ends

Wednesday March 19. Com Calm Break out main  
hole and run down 87 barrels S. Oil find 2 casks  
leaking send them on deck and Cooper them

Thursday March 20. light air from the S. West  
later from S East get steering sail booms on the  
yards bend the sails and set them fore 1/2 M steer  
Lower and main Top Gull steering sail course  
North West. Long 116. 29 West so Ends



## The Sailors Departure

O fresh blows the gale on the wide Mounlling Ocean,  
And proudly the ship repels the white foam.  
And high beats my heart with tumultuous emotion  
On leaving for fortune my own native home

Perhaps for the last time! My Father has bled me,  
I saw his white locks and the tears on his cheek  
And my Mother, how close to her bosom she pressed me  
And kissed me, and sob'd as if her kind heart to break

I may roam through the wide World and <sup>the</sup> Friendship may cease  
And love on my soft heart its characters trace:  
But here shall affection lend ought to support me.  
So sacred, so pure as that parting embrace:

Friends and Protectors when dangers surround me  
When pleasures when wealth spread their lures for my fame  
That moment good Angels shall hover around me  
No chase every thought would dishonour your name

John Francis's A





West  
Long. 118. 10

21. March Ship Virginia at Sea Running, Lat 1.20 South

### Home

The loved through many a weary round.  
The wandered East and West.  
Pleasure in every clime I've found  
But sought in vain for rest.

While glory sighs for other spheres  
I feel that one is to wide  
And think the Home that love endears  
Were worth the World beside.

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### Man

Admire the man who well can bear  
Misfortunes angry frown  
Admire the heart that spurns despair  
Though all his friends have flown

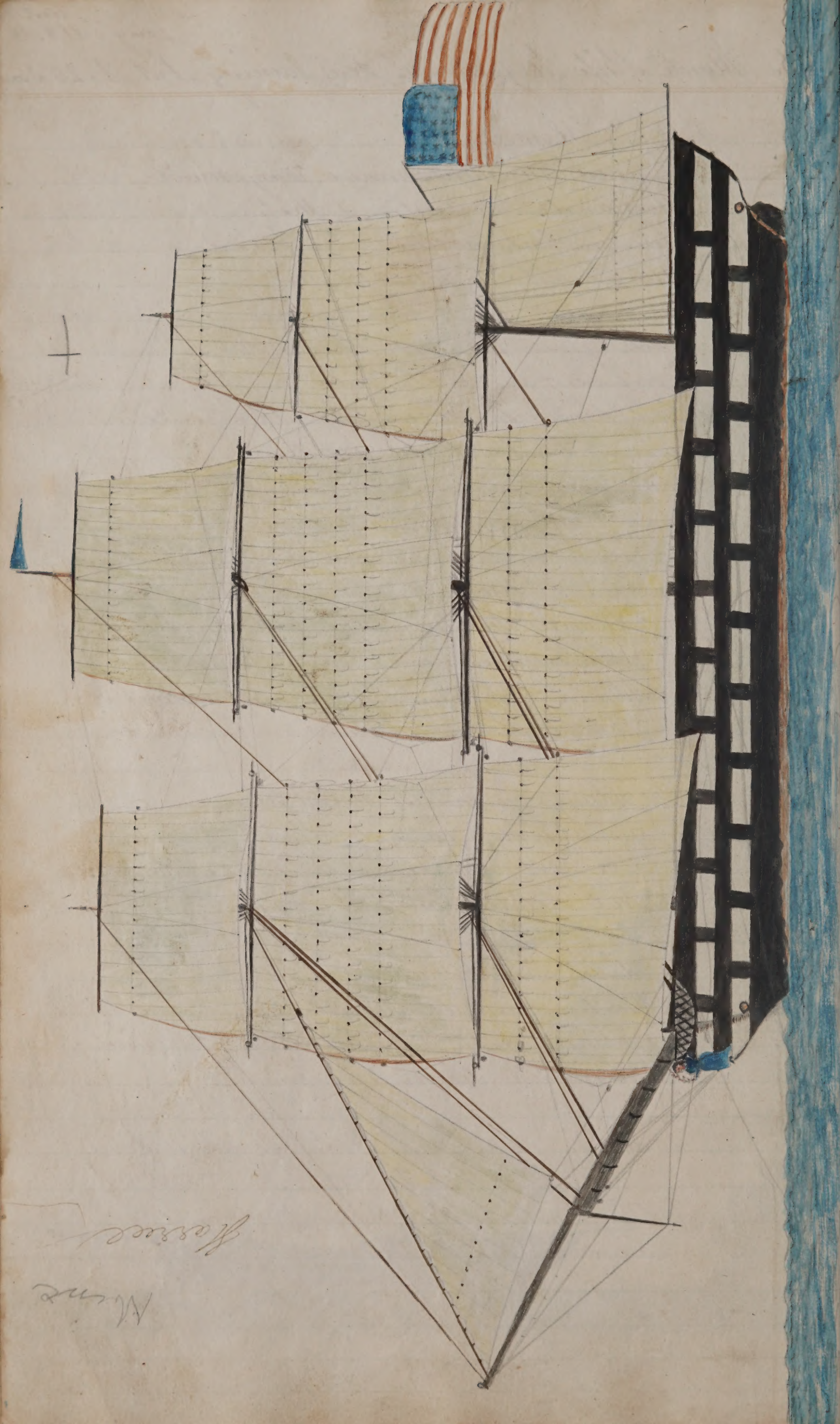
Admire the soul so nobly proud.  
That misery cannot blight  
The soul that braves the jering crowd;  
And sternly claims its rights.

Admire that fortitude refined  
Which sorrow cannot shake;  
Admire that strength of soul and mind.  
No earthly power can break.

Admire the man who seems to bend  
Beneath afflictions blast.  
Who trusts to an Almighty friend  
To sooth his woe at last.

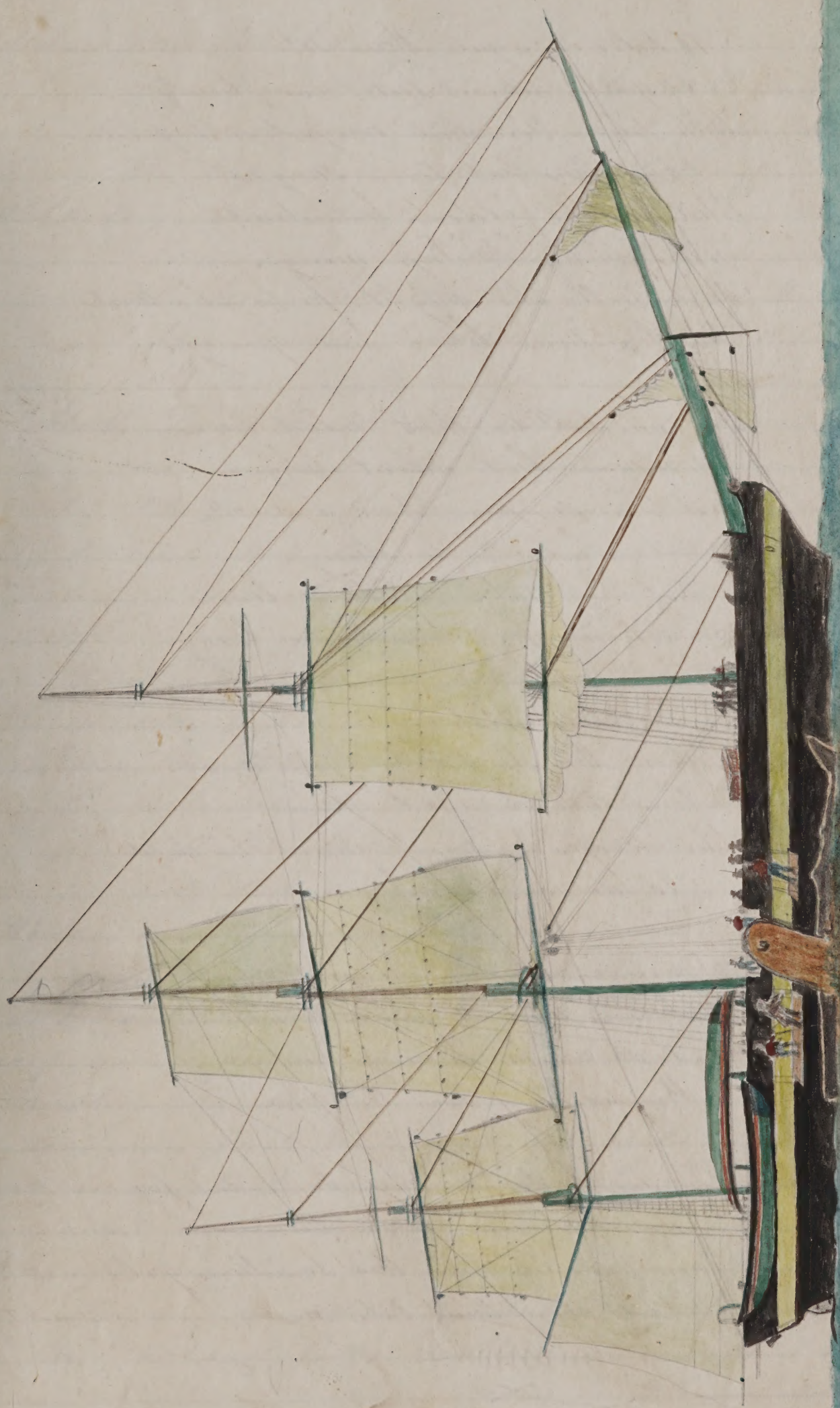
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Wm  
Hassell







## Sennaders &c

At Salomea's gate their sat:  
A youth whose lute was stung  
With silver wire and edged with gold  
And thus that Lute sung,  
While on the gilded balustrade  
His listening Mistress hung,  
And till she might, for he who wood  
Was cautious brave and young.

Oh could I see that Miled face  
And hear that silent tongue  
Dost thou suppose I am a snake  
And trouble to be stung,  
Or dost thou take me for a bear,  
To whom young girls are flung

### The Wish

Within this street a lovely girl  
Lies with an aged man  
Who keeps a dog to guard his child  
As far as barking can

The cunning father likewise keeps  
A cross and wrinkled dame  
And she as far as lungs can go  
By scolding does the same

If death desire man dame and dog  
He's welcome to the three  
Then I would take this cautious girl  
And she I think take me

March 7, 1845

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Ship Virginia off Shore Lat 7.10 South Long 102 West  
with land looks all round on a small prospect of a voyage



# Ship Virginia Bound to the Sandwich Islands

Friday March 21. 1845.

Commences with light Wind from S. East all drawing sail set Employed at ships duty the Capt mending Starboard Boat

Saturday March 22.

Commences with light trade Wind all sail with very hot weather so Ends on the line some Hands mending Main Mast

Sabbath Day March 23. 1845.

commences a calm haul in the steering sails at 2 PM proceed round the yards heading to the East so Ends this day on the line and no Wind

Sunday March 24.

Commences calm back ship and commences painting at 12 AM starboard side nearly done Middle light air from E S East set strong sail.

Tuesday March 25.

Commences with light Wind from S S West Shift the Mending sails. Employed at ships duty so Ends this 24 hours raining. Fine weather

Wednesday March 26

This morning at 9 o'clock struck the trade N East trades at 8 AM saw sperm Whales chased them with success gallied them and chased 4 boxes to windward.

Thursday March 27.

commences fresh trade winds all sail set the Watch employed at at various jobs Middle and latter the Seamen came N W West

Friday March 28.

This day com with squalls of rain all drawing sail Middle and latter do

So Ends this 24 hours Long 119. 22

Saturday March 29.

Strong Trades from N East by East all drawing sail set Middle squally with thunder and lightning and rain



1845  
3 Mo  
4 Mo Ship Virginia Towards Sandwich Isles

Long 121. 30 West Sunday March 30. Lat 10. 8' N  
Good Lord may the tide continue to waft us along to her haven  
or destined Port. Mr Vincent lay as well as can be expected  
course W by N Monday March 31.  
found the head of Miz Top Mast badly sprung bent down the Top  
Galt Mast yards we shifted the Main Top sail braces to Miz Mast  
Tuesday April 1. 1845  
commenced strong E East Trades Miz topsail reefed but all  
other drawing sail set so Ends this 24 hours  
Wednesday April 2. Lat 11. 12 Long 128. 45 West  
Strong Trades got a spare Main Top Mast in from over stern  
to make one for Miz Mast the Capt at work on it. so  
all drawing sail set so Ends this 24. Lat 12. 24 Long 131. 50  
Thursday April 3 " " " " " " "  
commenced fresh trades from the E N East course  
W. N. W. all drawing sail set Employed at ships duty  
so Ends No Observation  
Friday do 4 Lat 15. 31 N Long 137. 32  
Commenced with light trades and fine weather did nothing  
the spar done but shiving. so Ends this day  
Saturday do 5 No obs  
Commenced with fine weather and light wind at daylight sent up Miz Top  
sail yard sent up sail and bent it set 4 and so.  
Sunday do 6 Lat. 16. 53 N Long 140. 50 W  
Strong N East trades course W. N. W. all drawing sail set  
Mr Vincent's leg some better so Ends this day Lat 17. 57 N  
Monday do 7 " " " " " " "  
Commenced strong trades employed backing springarn  
for King Stoppers and Shank painters so Ends this 24 hours  
course W by North Lat 18. 58. Long 147. 10  
Tuesday 8 April 1845  
This day commenced with light wind from East course W by N  
paint the Larboard boat. Lat 19. 44 Long 150. 06 West  
Wednesday April 9. saw 2. sail for weather Long  
one of Lel Bow all drawing sail set Lat 20. 10 Long 152. 24





1845  
4. Mo

Ship Virginia Jos. S. Chase Master  
Living at Anchor at Manu In April 1845.  
Thursday April 10.



Haly & Co.

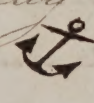
This day light trades the ship and  
back of the Lee River at 11 A.M.  
passed the ship at 2 P.M. hauled



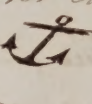
Rajah N.B.

In the steering sail. so Ends

Friday April 11. 1845

This Morn at daylight fair five sail bound Into Manu Middle  
part of this day calm took the Mercury counter 26 ships  
Lying at  at 4 P.M. we came at do In 19 fathom water

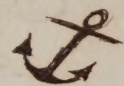
Saturday April 12.

At daylight commence and break out the company casks for water  
and scrub the ship to paint. Becket the casks and at  
2 P.M. get the raft on shore so Ends lying at 

Sunday April 13. 1845

This day the Starboard Watch go on Liberty get the two boats  
down and tow the Bk Rajah In. Nothing doing on board  
I went on board the Factor Capt. James gaming

Monday April 14.



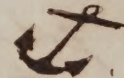
This Morning go In and get off the raft of water hoist  
It In and the Starboard Watch go on shore. No Money  
But Peasle cotton cloth so Ends start down the water and  
Black the benches paint the Bulwarks watch come off at sunset

Tuesday April 15.



This Morning get off another raft off water hoist it In the  
Starboard Watch go on shore the other star down the water  
clean up decks Black both sides the benches paint Starboard bulwarks  
around

Wednesday 16

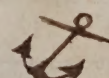


This day the Starboard Watch go on shore Nothing doing  
on board get off some potatoes and a few yams so Ends

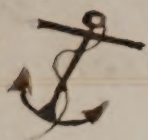
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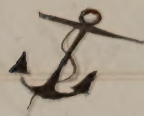
Mr Vincent discharged and Mr Prentice shipped as Mate  
comes on board and is introduced to the crew but not to the  
other officers Starboard Watch on Liberty at sunset go on  
shore for them they have as yet all come off sober  
a great many men In the fort from other ships  
I have received 10 letters up to this date since we came In





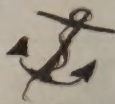


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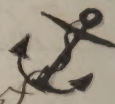
Friday April 18.

Starboard Watch go on Liberty Starboard boat and 5  
Kannapkas gone to the lee End of the Island after potatoes  
at sunset the watch all come off sober as usual



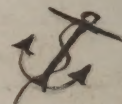
Saturday April 19

Starboard Watch go on Liberty Watch and Watch all the time  
get in the lower tobstays and strip them and leather them  
and set it up again so Ends



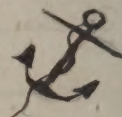
Sunday April 20 1845

Starboard Watch go on shore quite dull Music on  
shore of a week day much more so on a Sunday they boat  
goes at sunset after potatoes so Ends



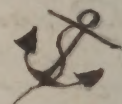
Monday April 21.

The Starboard Watch on Liberty, send down the main  
Top sail and send up another. send 2 Bbls B<sup>l</sup>ish oil  
on shore store potatoes and yams in the pen



Tuesday 22 d

This day Starboard Watch go on shore nothing doing on  
board the ship. 30 sail of ships in port coming and  
going Every day I get letter by all the N.B. ships



Wednesday 23

The Starboard Watch go on shore for the last Liberty  
this port got off a boat load of potatoes This morning the  
Minerva got under weigh and swung afool of a ship  
and carried away 4 of her davids and stole a boat all to  
pieces

Thursday 24

This morning at daylight got under weigh in com with many  
got the Anchor on the Bow run down the chains cleared up  
the decks man the Mast heads for the Whale so Ends

Friday 25 April

This morning land astern bearing East by N  
2 ships in sight, send down the <sup>cut</sup> foremast  
and strip them Repair the Bow Boat so Ends

sandwich Isles.

Waikae

Maui

Maui





## Ship Virginia bound to Japan April 1845.

Saturday April 26 1845

This day commences with fresh breeze all sail set at 7 A.M. send the cuttingendants up and lash them set up the Main stay at 2 p.M. Main and square keeled topsails hauled in steering sail took the lee boat on the upper cranes course West by West.

Sunday April 27. 1845

This day commences with strong breeze from E.N.E. East course S.W. by West steering sail all set S. Ends this day

Monday April 28.

Fine weather unbend the jib and stay sail break out for new jib mend the L. Top m. stay sail and sent it out and bend the new jib. So Ends Course West by South with all sail set

Tuesday 29.

Commence with fine weather and Starboard shift to fish the foremast with the old Main Top Mast. Lash it and set up stay and shift Cooper working down some old water casks. Long 165.30 m

Wednesday 30. 1845.

This morning at half past 6 saw sperm whales lowered and struck 3 sand but 1 to 1 tank Boat at 11 A.M. took him to the ship and at 1 P.M. had him cut in at 5 p.m. had him cut up and start works

Thursday May 1st

Strong Wind under double keeled topsail. Boiling at 12 A.P. cooled down turn up 24 barrels. set Mainsail so Ends.

Friday May 2d

This day commences with good weather make all sail course W.N.W. West saw nothing so Ends this day

Saturday May 3d

Fine weather employed setting up head stays for the gaffin square the butlin and so



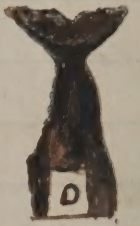
As we are now making the passage to Japan I shall omit keeping an every day Journal for my Book with not admit of it. So I must only note what is worth recording I am in hopes to nearly fill it with Whales on Japan. If not it will get filled before the voyage Expires In 4 months events.



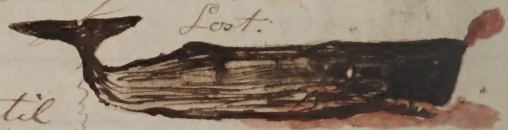
# Ship Virginia on Japan 1845

<sup>14th</sup>  
Tuesday May ~~21~~ 1845. Now on cruising ground  
saw fin back at sunset. Shorten sail double reef  
the topsails. Repair M & G sail and fore top sail  
so Ends this day

Tuesday May 22<sup>d</sup>  
At 7 A.M. saw sperm whale. Lowered and gallied  
them. they came up between the waist and bow boat  
chased them 2 hours to windward. With no luck  
at 10. A.M. saw more whales lowered and  
chased them going quick to windward. M. E  
could not cut them off. have back as usual



Wednesday 23. Lat 28. 10 N Long 165. 10 East  
This afternoon at 1 o'clock saw sperm  
whales off Lee quarter lowered chased until  
5 p.m. When the waist boat struck <sup>one</sup> killed him seen whale 3 times today  
and the Iron drew and we lost him gone of spouting thick blood  
It seems impossible for us to get whales. Now dark shorten sail



May 31. 1845. Grievances

So Ends this Month with nothing to show for it. the time  
sells round quite quick and when once gone cannot  
be recalled 18 Months has passed and we are on Japan  
where we have a gale of wind from 1 to twice a week  
since we have been here and cold enough to freeze an  
Indian. our potatoes are nearly consumed rotted and ate  
and our living is the smallest that I ever had.  
since we have been round Cape Horn. We have been  
into Port 3 times to recruit ship as called to get  
water and wood. We have not had any Rice Beans or  
Peas since the first 5 months out. There is a plenty flour  
in the ship and that is to sell) & how generous  
O had I the wings of an Eagle how soon would I seek  
a better habitation. O for a lodge in some old Tree

So Ends this Month seen nothing but rain and cold weather  
and a plenty of that. Blowing a gale most every other day  
No ships on this ground nor never was. Lat 36. 10 North Long 165. 2  
East







How often have I thought

1. How often have I thought of thee.  
As sitting by thy side alone;  
I saw thy blush I heard thy sigh.  
And felt thy voice's softened tone.  
In many a scene In many a land  
Through wintry climes or sunny skies.  
My thoughts have ever turned to thee  
And found thair haven In thine eyes.

2. How often shall I think of thee  
When wand'ring far on foreign shores  
And fill'd with Images of love.  
The dreams of fancy's sweetest hours  
Far above hopes of wealth or power  
Ambition, honor, glory, fame.  
I long and struggle for the hour  
When you shall proudly bear my name

Laura J. Ekin

John G. Ekin

In the hour of my distress.  
When temptation me oppresses  
And when I my sins confess  
Sweet Spirit comfort me



# THE SUN.



Chas. & S.



John Francis Whin at Sea: April 8. 1845.

From the Mouth of Scametto when addressing her Johnny  
how soafery  
O did I purpore to embark with the  
On the smooth surface of a summer sea.  
While gentle Zephyrs play on prosperous gales.  
And fortunes fufar fill the swelling sails  
But would forsake the ship and make the shore  
When the winds whistle and the tempest roar  
No Johnny No: Our sacred oath has fled  
Our Loves: One destiny our life shall guide  
Nor wild nor deep our common way divide

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Rising Grieps distress My soul  
And tears on tears successive roll.  
For many an evil voice is hear  
To chide my woes and mock my fear  
And silent memory weeps alone  
Ore hours of peace and gladness flown  
Long John

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Heavenly  
Father

O thou! who rules the wind and waves!  
Whose hand at once destroys or saves  
Grant us to bow before thy rod  
And trembling feel that thou art God!  
And May each action of thy will  
To the but bring us nearer still



We met it was in a crowd

We met it was in a crowd  
And I thought she would shun me  
She came I could not breath  
For her eye was upon me

I spoke her words were cold  
And her smile was unaltered  
I knew how much she felt  
For her soft toned voice faltered

I saw my bride to be  
And I treasured its whiteness  
Bright gems were in her hair  
How I cherished their brightness

She called me by my name  
As the bride of another  
O thou how true the cause  
Of this anguish My Mother

girl

And once again we met  
And a young man was near her  
She smiled and whispered low  
As I once used to hear her sigh  
She leant upon his arm and  
Once more more and more only  
I wept for I discerned  
To feel wretched and lonely

And she will be his bride  
At the altar he'll give her  
The love that tis to give  
For a heartless deceiver



And the world may call me gay,  
At the feelings I smother:  
O I have been the cause  
Of this anguish my Mother.  
And now although she has given  
Those loves to another.  
Her heart still be mine  
I still will think for no other  
And she who hung upon his arm  
Once was mine and mine only,  
For he has no charms  
He will be wretched and lonely.  
I am well to thee  
Whom this heart only cherished  
Oh say you forgive  
Ere I lie down and perish  
When you pause on my grave  
Your feelings you will smother  
Forgive as I do now: ~~say~~  
O forgive me my poor Mother.

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Ingratitude <sup>in</sup> of every clime  
And of all sins the most accursed crime  
For who can think that human nature can  
Breed such a Monster as the megastefull  
Monster Man



## We Met and We Parted

1  
We met and we parted

In sorrow and mirth

And the smile that was started

Was nipped in its birth

Each bliss was a treasure

Each bosom beat high

But the dream of our pleasure

Was burst by a sigh

2  
We met and we parted

In sadness and tears

And in weeping and sorrow

We severed for years.

High hopes were in keeping,

But gloomy was he.

Who warned far away

On the wide billowed sea

3d

We met and we parted!

Years lingered apace

And oft did my fancy

Her loveliness trace:

Years hours and minutes,

Even now roll away

And as first when we parted

Still parted are we C. F. S. B.

## New England

All hail to the New England

Thou cherished land of ours

Our sons are like thy granite rocks

Our daughters like thy flowers

We grieve to none of none we crave

We bend no servile knee

The life blood that our fathers gave

Still warms the brave and free

Free as our Eagle spreads his wings

We own no tyrants rod

No sovereign but the King of Kings

No monarch but our God

Monday March

John Francis Min



1845 Remarks Onboard Ship Virginia on Japan

June 25 good weather at 7 AM saw a sail ahead at 10 AM spoke The English Bark Sam Enderbury of London 21 Months out 1400 spm So Ends Lat 20.5 N Long 147. 77



June 26. fine weather saw 3 sail. 1 Bark and a ship on the weather beam. a ship 3 points of Lee bore at 5 PM spoke the Wm Patch. Tobey 900 spm So Ends by gaining



Wm Patch

June 28. Strong Wind under 2 reefed Topsails at half past 5 saw sperm whales lowered struck and drewed did the Mate. Capt went on fastened and killed him at 11 AM took him alongside the tow line painter pulled up to him and put a wafe on him and left The Mate being out sight from the ship At Now blowing a gale of Wind thick And Rainy Last seen off the Lee quarter. Run the ship off 4 Miles and then lie aback at 12 past 12 saw the boat and the whale sail and worked up to her she towing a whale. and we did not get the Fluke chain on till half past 5 Run all the line and parted them a number of times. So Ends Under close reefed Main top sail blowing hard We shall do well to save this whale. The other we had to leave to look the Mate



To Land only 10 barrels saved from both



Joseph. Chace. Master: 1845

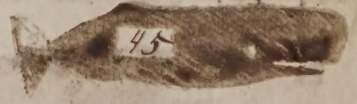
June 29 Blowing a gale call all hands to cut in the whale at 9 am got the head off. and dropped it astern hove in 2 small blanket pieces the blubber tore out and the fluke chains parted and that is the last of him at 11. Am. Moving the mendicars head up and stern down lost the boat from over the stern and all the spare spars saw them. and kept the men of them at 5 p m more moderate to huffed to lower a boat ran off to the boat and spars and hove grapnels on to it and saved them And we may consider ourselves lucky in saving them

June 30

Very Rugged and raining Most of the time Under close reefed Main topsail and Main spencer. our topsails and courses split and running rigging parted all over the ship. at 11 last night parted the head rope and lost the whales head. at sunrise fire Mr to boil out what little blubber we have saved boil all day raining most of the time cool down at 6 P M Making M. Bands. If this is not hard luck I dont know what is. To kill 140 barrels sperm oil. And then have to lose it and it do no one any good 3 days hard work and nothing for it Sunday

Of Quite good weather make sail to look for more whales.

Tuesday July 1st Good weather all sail set at 3 1/2 P M saw sperm whales lowered and struck 2 Larkin and and Waist Boat and dragged another at sunset took 1 Along side and cabled him and ran off to leeward for the other at 8 1/2 P M took him Along side and made him fast for the night The wind now blowing hard and looks nasty to windward





650  
BBLs

# Off Japan July 1845

Wednesday July 2

At day light commence cutting  
very rugged war ship and cut to the Leeward  
this the piece and cut off head at 5 A.M.  
at 12 am had both bodies cut in at 3 P.M.  
got the heads in bailed the case and lashed  
the Sunks for night commence boiling so Ends

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Thursday 3 Hoving hard Boiling Make no sail  
clean away the Jaws and Mark of deck Middle  
and latter the same fit the boats craft &c &c

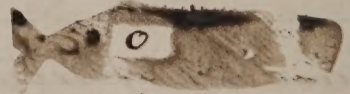
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Friday July 4 or Independence day  
Still boiling at 10 A.M. finish the Boddy and  
commence on the head cut up the Jaws  
at 9 P.M. cooled down with the fat Lean  
85 barrels turned up all ready for more  
at 5 P.M. cooer the oil

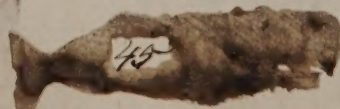
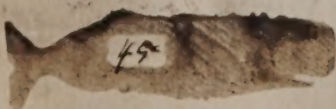
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Saturday July 5 Make sail and Mark off the  
decks

Sunday July 6 Commence to stow down  
break out Bore hole at 9 A.M. saw sperm  
Whales lowered and chased then Mate struck a large  
whale run to windward set to sporting then blow  
cut the line with craft and lost him  
so Ends at 2 P.M. saw more Whales lowered and chased  
with out success



Tuesday July 8 Com stowing down at 6 A.M. saw  
sperm Whales lowered without success stow down  
106 barrels of oil at 3 P.M. saw sperm Whales  
lowered and struck 2 and killed them  
Bore Boat struck and ~~line~~ sounded out the line  
saw whale to leeward and struck him with a drag  
Then at 6 P.M. took them along side 2 Whales to Bore B





# Virginia on Japan July, 1845

Wednesday July 9. At day Henry Mugged all  
all hands and commence cutting. Pairs the  
pieces and get Breakfast at 9 A.M. got 1 cut  
In at 3 P.M. got the other cut In at 4 got the  
heads In and Case Bailed and the other nearly  
set the Match Boiling



Thursday July 10

This Morning at sunrise saw sperm whale. Towed  
and struck 1 to Main Boat at 9 A.M. got  
him along side and cabled. Corn cutting  
still Boiling this is like Whaling at 2 P.M.  
got him Cut In Bailed the case over the side

Friday July 11.

fine weather Boiling saw  
Nothing Break out for empty casks

Saturday 12 Boiling good weather saw Nothing  
got the Body all boiled and corn on the head  
at 2 P.M. coolt down 135 lbs turned up

Sunday 14. good weather Break out and stow  
down Main hole Starboard side hooked off  
130 barrels run down we have now 700 barrels  
sperm onboard so Ends with washing off Decks

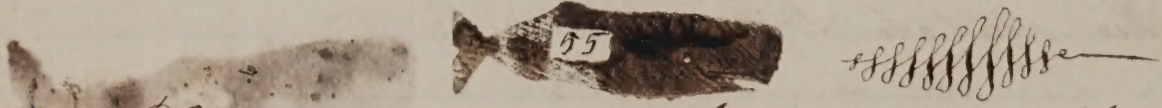
Monday July 21 saw Whale raining with thunder  
and lightning did not lower middle part of the  
day. at 4 P.M. saw them again and lowered  
without success so Ends this day now  
Moderate and pleasant





July 22 d In Tappan Lat 33.30 Long 47.10

Monday 22 this day commence with good weather at 8 am saw a breach at 9 saw sperm whale going quite quick. at 1/2 past ten lowered and struck the Larboard Boat and killed at 1/2 past 12 took him along side at 5 P.M. had him cut In and set the water.



Friday 26 July break out Main hole and stow down 54 barrels of 45 more will fill the Main hole at 4 P.M. took 2 casks of shark heads at 5 wash off decks

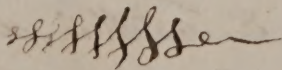
Sunday 28 commence with fine weather Make all sail heading to N.E. at 12 A.M. saw sperm whale lowered and struck 1 To Larboard Boat and killed at 3 1/2 P.M. took him along side and raised the piece and lashed down for the night set the watch good weather we have now 800 BBS good so Ends.



Monday July 29 At day light call all hands and commence cutting at 5 1/2 a.m. raise piece and cut off the head at 9 A.M. had him cut In good weather so Ends Boiling

This makes us nearly 400 barrels this month

Thursday August 1 stow down In the Main Hole 40 barrels which fills it up 700 In Main hole and 500 In fore hole Larboard side give us the fish and we will shock her off so Ends



If we saved what whales we have killed we would have 1000 barrels. poor unfortunate Virginians



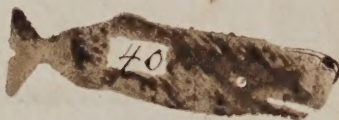
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Ship Virginia On Japan August. 1845. See Vols.

Monday August 5 At 3 P.M. saw Breaches  
run for them at 4 saw a shoal of sperm whales  
lowered and Waist Boat struck and line parted  
Starboard Boat fastened and killed him at  
sunset took him along side and cabled him  
for the night blowing a gale so Ends

Tuesday August 6.

At daylight Commence cutting blowing a gale.  
part the Fluke chain near ship. put on large fluke chain  
near ship and cut to leeward at 11 A.M. got him cut in  
1 P.M. bail care cut Junk start the works fire at 3 P.M.

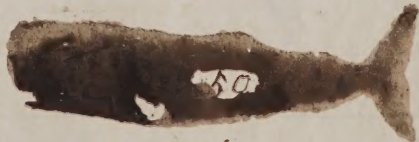


Wednesday Aug 7. Boiling turn at 11 B.B. of head  
at 3 P.M. cool down 42 barrels turned up. so Ends by  
washing off.

Wednesday August 14 saw a shoal of sperm wha-  
les lowered and struck 3 parted all 3 lines saved  
1 whale to Bow Boat



Thursday Aug 15 Commence cutting at 12 A.M.  
got him cut in and commence boiling at 4 P.M.  
saw a sperm whale lowered and struck him to  
Waist Boat. Starboard and Bow Boat got stove  
killed the whale after dark at 10 P.M. took him along  
side and cabled him



Friday Aug 16th Commence cutting at 12 A.M.  
got him cut in and commence boiling saw sperm  
whales did not lower shut at night



Saturday Aug 17 Boiling tender short sent  
saw sperm whales at 9 A.M. Made sail going  
quick the whales to windward





Scutlings from an old Book when there is no sleep

(Inwood.) "This is well, fair one," he said with a strange sneer  
curling his chisled lip: "this is well I had looked for tears  
and out cries! But you are wise my beauty: wiser in your  
generation as the scripture hath it than the children of  
light! But why so mute, Teresa? Speak, girl, know you the  
fortune that awaits you, and he shook her gently as  
he spoke, as if to force an answer.

"The Lamb In the Wolf's fair: Applied the Maiden  
Requires no prophet to foretell her doom!"

You know it then?—and deem it perchance a rare  
fortune. I knew ere while your Spanish dances were  
gamesome and something light of love.

But I deem not a Spanish damsel of my blood should  
know her self. And knowing not content to be the Para-  
mour of a Robber a Pirate. Pirate

Nor do you know it now Applied Teresa. Nor do you  
know it now, ten thousand deaths would I die sooner  
nor will I be the thing thou sayest.

How wilt thou help it sweet one he asked sneering  
By not consenting and by dying.

Verily thou may to your vile will by brutal and  
unmanly violence! Verily thou may to your vile pas-  
sions, but wrong is not dishonor. Nor outrage disgrace: but for  
a little time. The Lord hath given you power and you must  
use it as you list—but only for a time.

Believe it not he muttered. My power is forever here on this  
earth. What woe I make the woe that remain till death  
deliver thee, hearest thou girl? I say, till Death  
Hear me at least as thou dost hope for Mercy so thou dost  
trust In god.



Scrivings by Long John. In the Pacific Ocean.

The protest of Teresa a Spanish Girl. to the State of the South Seas  
Teresa had you not been guiltless and pure, were it not so  
long, long ago you would been the prey to sharks and  
dog fish. Now I do believe you. Were it not for Memory  
and Pride, I might even now release you.  
O do be exulted and god will bless your sin then  
as red as scarlet shall become as white as snow. Your  
sins and your crimes shall all be forgiven you.  
A grateful Virgin's prayer shall rise up mightily for you  
that shall win the grace of the Eternal. Shall yeald  
your head in battle that not a hair of it perish.  
And more far more with a self approving conscience,  
shall crown your days with bliss. and steep your night  
in quiet. Do so. and on your bed of Death a weak girl's  
voice of Gratitude shall smooth your many pillow.





1845 Ship Virginia on Japan. 850 Bbls

Sunday August 18 break out Fore hole at 10 AM  
took In fore and Mizzen topsail stow down 35 Barrels  
so Ends very Rugged at 5 PM saw a sperm Whale on  
the Weather bow 2 Miles off No chance to get him seen  
Whales 6 times In 7 days

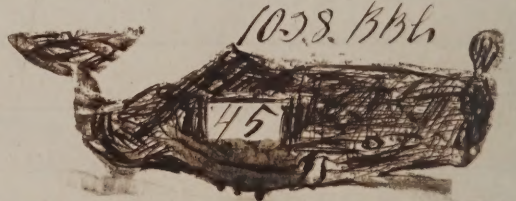
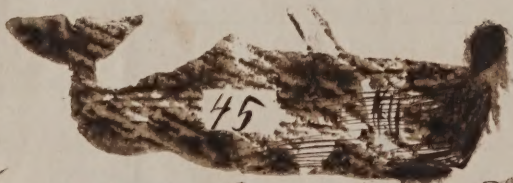


Monday Aug 19. Ship hove to blowing a gale  
after hook run down the oil from of deck  
Blowing a gale take in all sail

Tuesday 20. Blowing a gale stow down  
the remainder of the oil 3 Whales Making 148 Bbls

So Ends the rest of the week blowing a gale all  
sail In. But close reefed Mizzen topsail

Sunday 25. August at 10 AM saw sperm  
Whales lowered and struck Larboard Waist  
Boat Bow Boat Mired one at 12 1/2 took them  
A long side and at 1 commenced cutting at 8  
PM got the Bodies cut in and set the Watch



Monday 26 Aug At 6 1/2 AM commence cutting  
In the Heads at 8 1/2 got them cut In Bailed  
the Cases and lashed the Junks so Ends this  
day Boiling

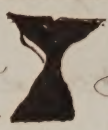
Tuesday Strong Wind from South West boiling with  
double reefed topsails at 11 PM cooled down  
boiling 35 Barrels turned up. so far so good

Wednesday 28 Strong Wind take In fore and Mizzen  
topsail Break out fore hole for Shooks  
Capt and cooper setting up Shooks so Ends

Ship Virginia 22 Mo 1000 Barrels



Virginia On Japan September. 1,000 BBL/845

September 1<sup>st</sup> 1845  At 7 A M saw a school of sperm whales lowered and chased till 12 o'clock without success at 2 P M lowered and Larboard Boat struck and then killed a small Bull and took him along side, chased the school to leeward till Night so Ends this day

Tuesday September 2<sup>d</sup>

at Day light call all hands and commence cutting at 9 1/2 got him cut in and bail the case and commence Boiling clean up and wash off the decks so Ends

Wednesday 3<sup>d</sup> Finish Boiling at 10 A M Turn up 38 Barrels. already for more

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September good weather the Carpenter at work mending Bow Boat at 2 P M saw sperm whales lowered Starboard Boat struck and got stove. the Mate struck and killed at 4 P M took to the ship 1718 BBLs

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup>.

At daylight commence cutting at 9 A M had him cut in Cleid away head at 12 start the works so Ends Watch Set Boiling Lat 32. 20 N. Long 144. 10

Sunday Cool down at 11. A M 44 Barrels turned up Wash off the decks.

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September Break out fore hole fore peak and stow down 40 Barrels of cold oil

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> Min down the remainder 40 more We have now 1080 BBLs sperm 45 Blackfish

9. 10 of Sep. Employed setting up Shooks mending boats and various other jobs

Ship Virginia Cruising In Lat N. 31 to 33. Long for 143 to 145



Ship Virginia on Japan Sep. 1845 1080 B/Bes

have taken 700 this season Whales are scarce now. We have not seen a ship the whole season

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Sunday Sep 12<sup>th</sup> 1845

This morning commences a gale Make no sail at 8 A M close reef the Main Top sail turn up the Starboard Boat Win N East.

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Sunday 13.

The gale increasing thick with rain 8 A M took in the Main Top sail so ended this day ship large quantities of water

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Monday 14 Sep quite Moderate set Main Top sail and fore sail. Tuesday 15 Sep hove to again and took in all sail the wind hauling to West and blowing a severe gale stove Galley Bulwarks round house

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Saturday 19. Sep

Commenced with a calm at 10 A M saw a large Spem Whale astern of the ship saw turn flukes. and then saw him 5 miles to Windward going quick did not lower

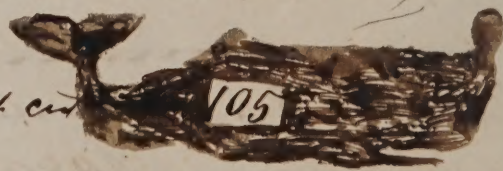
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Sunday 20.

Monday 21. Sep at 8 A M saw Spem Whales lashed a struck one to Waist Boat at 9 1/2 took him along side got dinner and com cutting cut until dark —

Tuesday 22. Sep at 10 A M finish cut at 12 hauled the the case



Saturday September 27 Stove down In fore hole 110 barrels Spem oil

1185-13/36.



Ship Virginia on Japan Sep 1845. 1200/350

Sunday September 28. This Morning at day light saw Sperm Whales Lowered and Larboard Boat struck 1 and parted the line and chased with no success. came on board got Breakfast.

At 11. AM lowered and Larboard Boat struck and killed got 1 of the crew cut with Iron at 1 1/2 PM took him Along side got dinner and com cutting at 5 PM got him cut In so Ends set the and clean the case



Monday 29. fine Weather Boiling  
find that we are short of Water will have to leave soon for port have only 25 days Water onboard

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Wednesday October 1 fine Weather sent up Miz. Top Gale Mast and painted it filled rigging bound In to port If we had Water our chance is good for 100 more

Thursday 2 break out and stow down this small whale Making us 800 this cruise and to God that we may continue the same work

Sunday October 5 Commences a gale from N East took In all sail but 3 reefed Main top sail and Fore sail. steering E S East At 10 AM took In all sail turn up lee Boat so Ends a heavy gale

Monday Oct 6. More Moderate at 12 AM set 2 reefed topsails wind from the West

Tuesday Oct 7 quite Moderate with a heavy swell on and light air heading S West send up <sup>fore</sup> Miz top Gall. Mast and paint it

Wednesday Oct 8.

light Wind from N East Course S S East for Padrone Islands Employed setting up shooks



# Ship Virginia bound to the Ladrones Isles

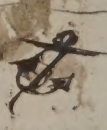
Tuesday Oct 14 at 10 A M saw the land at 1 P M up  
with the two Windward Isles

Some of them Inhabited  
and some not

Wednesday Oct 15 at 11 A M passed by Guam  
saw the English Bark San Enderbury at Anchor  
at 4 P M We came out  to the Muttering place  
and got a raft on shore and filled 100 barrels  
by sunset

Thursday Oct 16. at Day light go on shore  
and get off raft. start it and get off 100 barrels  
more Making 200 bls in a day quite well  
so Ends this day bought considerable fruit 

Friday Oct 17. 1845 Isl of Guam  
got under weigh for the Harbor of Apra.  
at 12 A M the pilot came on board and at 4 P M  
came at  equally with rain soaked sails

Saturday Oct 18. Being work the ship   
and heal her

Sunday Oct 19 Black the ends on starboard  
side

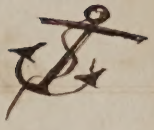
Monday Oct 20 Stowed down the Mutter  
and got off 3 cords of wood

Tuesday Oct 21 Paint the Starboard side  
cut up the wood and split it and stowed it

Wednesday Oct 22 The Starboard hatch go  
on 4 days Liberty we send down Main yard and  
fish it wash decks and paint ship

Thursday Oct 23 send up Main yard paint the  
stem of ship and finish painting ship



Ship Virginia at Guam at   
Friday Oct 24. 1845

Repair the Mainsail wash decks buy yams  
Oct 25. 1845

Saturday paint Bow sprit yams and potatoes come  
on board In boats from Guam town at ten bet sent the  
boat for the Liber by men only 3 came of 8 behind

Sunday Oct 26. 1845

The Larboard Watch take their Liberty of 4 days  
send the boat and get the rest that did not come  
of at night. Saw a brig coming Into the bay in Amm

Thursday Oct 30 All hands on board heave up  
Starboard Anchor which was let go while we were  
up town Blew a heavy gale sent down top Gall  
Masts and yards at 11 A M take our Anchor  
and stand to sea so good bye to Guam for 5  
months (The brig is the Charter W of Salem for Manila)

Friday Oct 31 We came out I am out of making  
on bent the chains stowed the Anchors and got all  
snug double reef topsails for night

Sat Nov 1. 1845 Make sail send the fly  
jib out fit the boats wet the oil wash decks  
so Ends Saturday night the Cape Watch broke, no  
watch In the ship rather bad go

Tuesday Nov 4<sup>th</sup>

At 7 A M saw sperm Whales at  
8 A M lowered 3 Boats and chased them  
until 4 o'clock without success suppose  
that the ship was amongst them in the night  
as they were galliced nearly calm

Thursday Nov 6 24 Months from home to day 2 years  
more then what



1845 Ship Virginia Bound on the Line 1200/1334

Friday Nov 7. Specially with main reef the top  
sails split main top gale sail at 2 p m saw land  
one of the Carolin Is. (so Ends) Mending sails now  
for some time

Wednesday Nov 12th Crossed the Equator  
fine weather and no whale. Lat 20 miles S  
no flour for 2 months. sold 2 lbs in <sup>port</sup> Long 153. 23 East

Nov 13 at 5 P M saw a reef was on it before  
it was seen. saw rocks just under the water but not  
near enough the surface for breakers. More short  
round and shortened sail for night

Friday Nov 15. saw the Land one of Solomons Is.  
on Canibal Islands where they roast men and  
eat them or eat them without roasting

Sunday Nov 17. saw a number of other Islands  
at sundown shorten sail at Bowka Bay where  
we shall cruise some time

### Bowka Bay Solomons Isles

Nov Tuesday 19. stood into the bay and saw  
3 Barks 1 Ship all English Whalers. saw 1 man  
read her name Gipsy of London at 12 A m double  
reef topsails. no whale.

Wednesday Nov 20. Bark on ship  
on our weather Bow and a   
Bark of the Bow strong breeze and no whale.

Friday Nov 22 d at 9 A m saw sperm whales  
and got two 1 to Waist Boat 1 to Larboard one 85. on 20 lbs  
cut in the small one and commence boiling. the ship gone  
to North End of the Island.

The Bark got a cow and calf out of the same school



Nov. Bowka Bay 1845 1300  
Ship Virginia Cruising on the Line

70 LB

20 LB



Canoe came off to trade

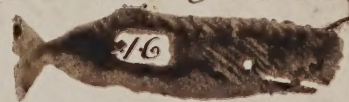
Sat Nov 23. At day light commence cutting at 1 P.M.  
had him cut in and case bailed. Saw the Eng. Bark  
pick up a dead whale. at 4 pm saw Sperm  
Whales lowered two Boats with out success came  
on night so Ends



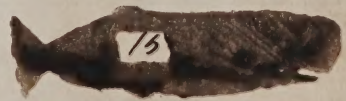
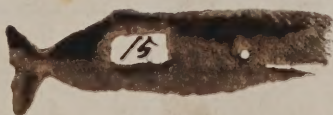
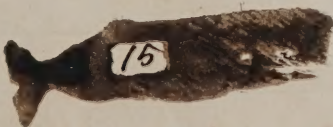
Sunday Nov 24. Boiling ship and Bark  
both to the Leeward at 1 P.M. saw the Bark  
run off and set her colours we ran off and  
saw a school of Sperm Whales we lowered  
and pulled to windward after them without  
success the Bark got two. at 11 P.M. cooled down  
boiling Monday quite calm trade with the water  
saw Black fish No Whales to day

Thursday Nov 28. 1845 At 6 A.M. saw sperm Whales  
lowered and chased 6 hours without success.  
At 1 P.M. raised another school Sperm  
Whales the English ships boats lower  
and get the start raise more close in  
shore the Waist Boat fastens and draws  
Larboard Diastens and draws Waist Boat <sup>parts line</sup> Fastens again  
and get 1 cow Whale and the Boat stove so Ends

Friday 29. At day light commence cutting at 8 A.M.  
got him cut in and start the fire. The Eng ship  
got 3 Whales 1365 BBLs



Sunday Dec 1. At 6 A.M. saw sperm whales  
lowered without success. at 9 A.M. saw an  
school of sperm whales lowered and got 3  
Waist. Larboard and B Boat. the English ship  
got 2. cut them in and commence boiling





## Bouka Bay one of Solomons Group

December 1895 We are now cruising close to the Islands of Bouka and Bougenville or Canibal Is. where they would eat a white man and pick his Bones very quick. We have had great numbers of them along side but never let but one come onboard at a time. We have had Tarra and cocoa nuts and fruit on them all the season. They wear no clothing of any kind as naked as they were born and as black as old Nick. We have bought War clubs spears Bows and Arrows from them, all their trade is Iron hoops Axes and Knives. They build the Best Canoes that I ever saw and will paddle much faster than our boats can pull. so far they have behaved quite civil. It is now a rare thing for them to take away Whales from the boats when close to the shore. There are 4 English Ships and Barks besides our selves and dare not think of Landing we have struck Whales within half a mile of the shore and never been molested. But quite likely if we were here alone they would take now and then a Whale.

Since I wrote the above we have got drifted out of the Bay and Beat ten days against Wind and tide and lost ground) so we are now to Lord Howe group quite a number of small Islands very low look to have grown up in the night so small fresh and green some not 1/4 of mile long covered with Cocoa nut trees. There were 5 Canoes but of only one came along they talk some English and are of a copper complexion and wear ornaments of turtle shell in their noses and a belt round their middles.



March 15. 1846

Pleasant Island

Yesterday Sunday We were visited by a great number of natives from Pleasant Isd say 100 canoes put off from the shore the wind died away and they all came along side 6 or 7 hundred of them about 15 women with Hogs Flats and shells to sell Tobacco seems to be all they go we bought a good many hats straw for 1 head Tobacco a piece 3 Hogs for an old Musket. I must say that these natives are quite civilized and some of them very handsome especially the Ladies

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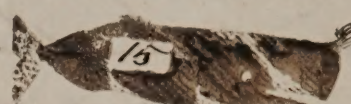
April 1846 Guam Ladrone Is.

We once more make our appearance at the Ladrone or Guam We have 1000 barrels oil to Cooper and then we shall take a cow a piece or them that likes to ride for the Town it is 4 miles distant from the point where we land. There are two other towns but not so large 1st Isdima 1 mile from the ship 2d Isdrot 3 miles I visited them all and was much pleased with the appearance Manners and customs of the people. It is quite a sight to see the people from the ship going on liberty with a roll of calico and a yard stick under their arm. Their yard sticks are apt to get quite short at the end of trade.

In life we've been long together  
Through pleasant and through cloudy weather  
Tis hard to part when friends are dear  
Perhaps will cost a sigh or tear  
Then steal away give little warning  
Choose their own time  
Say not good night but in some brighter  
Bid me good morning



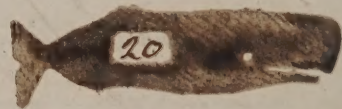
Dec 22 1845 Whaling In Bouka Bay. Solomons Isles

Monday Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> At daylight. saw sperm whales  
lowered and got one to the Bow Boat at 8 o'clock  
had him cut In. still Boiling  1425 BBl  
~~~~~ Lat ~~~~~ Long ~~~~~

Tuesday Dec 3<sup>d</sup> We are long way of shore stand In  
wind light saw the Offley Eng ship cutting In at  
2 p m spoke Boiling a plenty of whales In spine  
but the capt is afraid of the Land or we would get  
more whales ~~~~~

Wednesday Dec 4, 1845

at 2 P M saw sperm whales lowered and  
1 large Cow to Starboard Boat. so Ends towing  
the whale along side.



Saturday Dec 7 Break out the Starboard side  
of the After Hole and stow down 97 Barrels sper oil  
making 1450 Barrels. saw a Bark standing In to  
the Bay Saturday Night to sweat hearts and Wifes

Friday December 13 at 6 A M saw sper whale  
gallied them. chased and struck 1 to Larboard  
Boat a cow whale



Sunday Dec 15 at Sunrise saw sper whale  
gallied them and chased them 1/2 hour.  
Without success the Main Boat darted at them  
3 ships Boats In chase after them



Monday 16 Dec Bow Boat struck and dragged  
At 5 P M saw sperm whales lowered and  
struck and dragged after sunset so Ends  
More whales In the Bay In hopes to get some  
tomorrow



Wednesday Dec 18. Fine weather No fish at 5  
P M spoke the Eng ship Sireny Kotun 33 mo 1250  
and got a half hour glass from her so Ends gaining  
her Mate comes on board



# Bay Whaling December 1845.

Ship Virginia Whaling In Bouca Bay with 3 Eng Ships  
Sir The Offley The Gipsy The Sireng Botang all of London

Thursday Dec 25 or Christmas Day  
at 7 AM ship Sir Eng Botang set her collors for  
a gam at 12 am the Cap goes on board to dinner  
and the Capt of a Sydney Schooner that come  
into the Bay to day the Edward 4 Mo out 70 Bbl

Friday Dec 26

At 11 1/2 AM saw Sperm Whales lowered  
and Larboard Boat struck and Whale took his  
line. the Starboard Boat fastened and their  
line parted abto the same Whale  
chaced them until night without success

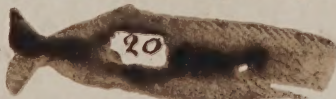
Sunday January 4th 1846.

Saw the Sir Eng Whaling of our lee beam haul up and  
run off for him at 5 pm saw her boats going on board half  
past 5 saw a lone Whale lowered and doged him  
till dark so Ends. We are very unfortunate (particular)

Monday January 5.

This Morning at 8 o'clock saw sperm whales  
lowered 4 boats and chaced them until 1 PM  
When Starboard boat struck a cow Whale and calf  
The English ship chaced them but did not strike  
Took him along side and cut him in so Ends

Jan 1846



1480 BBLs

Thursday Jan 8. 1846

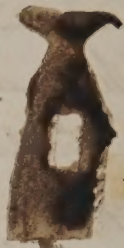
Fine Weather Stand of shore. at 2 PM saw  
a track ran off for it saw it no more  
at 4 PM ran off and spoke the Eng ship  
their cap came on board while on board our  
capt saw sperm Whales from off Deck lowered and  
chaced without success so Ends garning



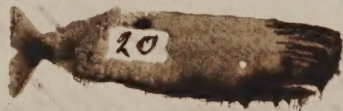
# Ship Virginia In Bouka Bay cruising

(Lat 5.15 South Long 152.40 East) 1846 Jan 9. 1480 Bbls

Friday Jan 16. Saw a school sperm whales  
lowered and chased Larboard Boat went on  
and missed so End with no whale but gam  
with our consort the (Singing No turn Eng Ship)



Saturday Jan 17 At 2 1/2 PM saw sperm whales  
lowered 3 Boats. Bow 15 struck and lost her line  
The Main Boat struck the same whale parted her  
line. The Larboard Boat struck a cow whale in  
shore after sun down and turned her cap and cabled  
to the ship at 8 PM so Ends laying aback



took my time

Sunday January 18. Out In the whale and  
commence boiling at 1 PM saw sperm whales.  
I struck and killed a calf. In Starboard Boat. chased  
the school until sunset without success.



Wednesday January 21. at

For part of the day rainy the ship to windward of us  
at 10 AM stood to Eastward at 3 1/2 PM saw sperm  
whales lowered and got 3 Larboard Boat got stove  
2 whales and a calf. parted from 2 other whales.



at sunset or 7 PM got them cabled to the ship for the night  
so Ends quite decent turn up 68 Bbls

Lat 24 Stow down 50 barrels of cold oil in afternoon

Sunday 25. At 3 1/2 PM saw sperm whales  
lowered and chased without success so Ends calm  
we have drifted 70 Miles to leeward of Bouka  
Bay and no wind to get back and a strong current against  
us



Monday 26 January

Stow down the remaining 80 barrels Making 320  
Bbls taken this season Total 1580 Barrels



## Cruising of Bouka Bay Jan 24. 1846

Tuesday Jan 24. saw sperm whales lowered without success. at 2 PM saw more whales struck one to the Starboard Boat and the crew capered the boat and lost the whale more bad luck.

So Ends this Month Strong current  
Impossible to get Back to Bouka Bay



February Monday 2d saw sperm whales lowered and chased without success. Now Bound to the East round light wind with rain



Thursday February 5. saw the Land and ran down to Lord Howe's Group saw several canoes one came along side so Ends



Sunday February 14 saw whales after 4 PM chased without success.



Monday Feb 15 saw sperm whales got 1 cow whale to the Waist Boat fast to him 6 hours

Wednesday Feb 25 At 8 AM saw a sail at 4 PM spoke her the Lone of Montserrat 29 Mo. 1300. Bunch got no news from her her Capt. come on board of us dog and a black boy so Ends at sunset

LONE



Thursday 26 saw Land

Ocean Island Lower Land

saw nothing shorten sail before Main topsail so Ends

Monday March 2 saw a sail on weather beam saw her Boat down we made all sail lowered the Boat and pulled up but saw no whales the Lone got one

Tuesday 3 March Rainy and squally spoke the Lone boiling her whale

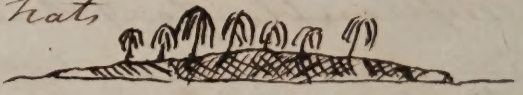




16,00 Bbls Ship Virginia on the Line

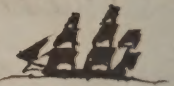
Thursday March 5 at daylight saw a sail on our weather beam came on squally with rain

Sunday March 8 saw the Land at 5 p m  
there came 14 canoes from Pleasant Island  
we got from, kogg fish lines and hats  
new and (old) so End all gone  
on shore



Sunday March 15 saw a sail

Bound Into Port of Guam



Friday March 19. Trade Winds Course N. West  
for Guam at 4 P M saw a Brig steering to the  
westward pig for Dinner so Ends strong trades  
Expected to see the land to day the Caroline Islands  
but did not shorten sail for the Night

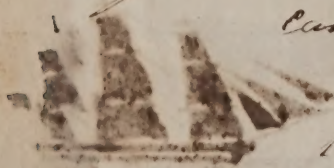


Monday March 23 Lat 10.30 North Lon 156. East  
Strong W. East trade Wind ship going like a scalded hog

Thursday March 26 saw the Island of Rotta  
at 10 A M went on shore and bought 21 hogs and  
pigs

At sunset saw 2 sail bound to Rotta

Friday March 27 Guam all in sight at 8 am  
came at Anchor 2 ships and 2 Barks  
seeing them 2 American 1 English  
1 Dutch Bark so Ends Break out to  
cooper the oil hant out 280 Barrels of oil  
Saturday stowing down



Sunday 29 Met the hole and let the men go on shore  
at Suma stop until sun set

Friday April 3. Finish coopering Coopered  
900 Barrels and took 10 B Bbls to fill it  
not much leakage there or stowage



Anchor Guam April 5<sup>th</sup> 1846. 1600 B/B.

Sunday 5 Nothing doing some men go on shore some go visiting or gaming.

Monday April 6 Starboard Watch go on shore for 4 days liberty the other Watch paint ship get of the wood cut and split it do all the work as usual

Tuesday 10 April the Larboard Watch go on liberty come on board Tuesday Morning

Wednesday 15. April Got under weigh at 1 P.M. and at 4 P.M. Came at Anchor at Umatac Bay to get our water

Saturday 18. Got off the water stowed it down and got all clear for sea had two men run a way 2 portugese so we go to sea short handed at 11 P.M. got under weigh so good bye Ladies.

April

May 25 saw the Lord Sulphur Island very high land in this shape.

quite small



30 April cruise around this Isl one week saw nothing but finbacks so End steering N West.

May 6<sup>th</sup> 1846 light wind and hazy weather at 11 A.M. saw sperm whales toward 3 boat without success going quick to windward so En  
foggy weather Lat 28.40 Lon 150.10 W



Sunday May 24 + 5 weeks out from port with nothing. but a plenty of rainy weather and no whales We are on the same ground that we took eight hundred barrels last season Lat 33 N  
We are quite Early get but } Long 143 East  
expect to get some whales  
next month

John H. Affin



June 24

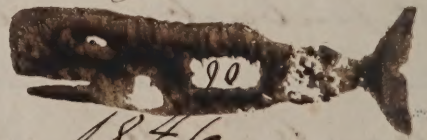
# Ship Virginia for Japan

Tuesday June 24.

We are now 2 Months out of port and have seen whales but once and then it was for fog and rainey last week spoke a sch from China bound to Sandwich Islands and by her got the news of Mars and Human of Man. a war with Mexico) And expect War with England) go a head never say die. We got a paper from the sch stating that the English had 10 sail at Spithead all manned and are boasting how they will make the Artillery poor in the (West.) as they did in the East.

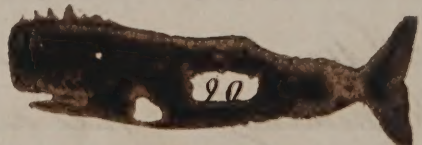
How they flounders swim.

Friday July 17th light SEast Wind working to the East. We have cruised 3 times our old ground over and seen nothing. We are now carrying all sail night and day yesterday sent five top Gall yard aloft bent sail. been 5 Months with out a hors piece If this is not discouraging then tell me what is The poor unfortunate Virginia so Ends good weather and no fish. John D. Min a hard road to travel.



Monday July 27. 1846

At 4 P.M. saw 2 Large Sperm Whales lowered and struck 1 to the larboard Boat at 11 P.M. took him along side and cabled him for night



Tuesday July 28 Commence cutting to the whale at 7 A.M. saw a large whale close to the ship lowered and got him cut both their Bodies in so Ends boiling

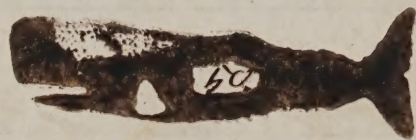


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Jappon August 1. 1846.

Saturday Aug 1st at 4 PM saw a school sperm  
whales lowered and got 1 took him to the ship  
and cabled him for night so Ends



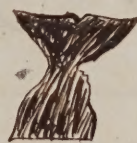
~~Wednesday~~ Tuesday 4

Thursday August 5 spoke Monticello of Nantucket 9  
Mo 256 saw her boats in chase of 2 large whales  
till sundown



Wednesday Aug 5

Stowing down at 4 PM saw sperm whales struck and  
parted and lost him



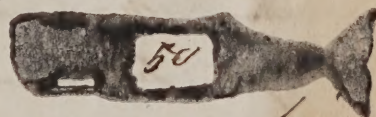
Thursday Aug 6

Saw the ship W. Ketch off our weather been exchanged  
signals would not speak finish stowing down wash  
decks so Ends



Friday August 11. saw sperm lowered with out  
success. Afternoon lowered and struck 1. Main Boat  
got stove Larboard got capsized at 6 PM took whale  
to ship and cabled him for night

both claim this whale W.B. & L. 13



Wednesday 12 cut him in and commenced boiling

Thursday 13 finish Boiling Mend 2 Stoven Boats

August 21 Cooper the oil on deck and stow it down  
dy times nothing to be seen no whale no ships

So Ends this Month with no more oil good weather and  
no fish not as much as a skip Jack will stop around  
the ship this season. It was the calculation of Joe  
to salt 40 barrels to sell at Sandwich Islands 1846  
But I think not



1846

Lat 31.40 N

Sept Ship Virginia on Japan Long 160.20 East

This Sep 1st commences with good } 18.50 B Bbs  
weather and no fish of any kind

Thursday Sep 4 strong Breezes from the Westward  
loud talk of a heavy gale send down the top  
gallant yards so Ends Blowing Hard under  
close reefed Main topsail and Main stay sail  
and Main stay sail spencer

Friday 5 clear weather but blowing hard  
middle set the fore sail & fore topsail so Ends

Saturday 6 Good weather and light wind from  
N N East sent up Top Gallant yards Made all  
sail come E S East Long 162.12 E  
Lat 30 25 S

Sunday 7 good weather and light wind from  
the West ward steering N. East

Monday September 8

light wind from the North sent down  
the foresail and mend it. The turning Lathe  
going most all the time the capt sawing slats for  
Swifts in the Lathe This season there has been not  
much done but (scrim shout) as it is called  
so for my part I have no heart or stomach for it

Saturday September 19.

Lat 32.30 N Long 170.40 E

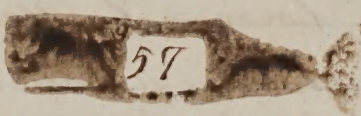
For part of this day calm Middle light air from the  
South at 11 1/2 AM saw Sperm Whales at 1 PM  
lowered Larboard Boat went on dartsed and Miss  
saw more Whales Starboard Boat went on and fastened  
2 boats fast for some time Whale hunting and sound  
ing could not get on him to lance at 5 PM the  
Shore broke & short Warf parted and away he goes.

O the poor Unfortunate Virginians 80 barrel of  
oil to do no one any good but run out and waste on the water



Lat 33. 39 N Long 70. 45 E Japan Sept. 1846

Sunday Sept 20. Saw sperm whales at 11 A.M.  
at 12 lowered and struck 2 Boats Waist of Starboard  
Boats the Capt cut his line with lance the whale went  
off spouting thin blood  
Took 2d Mate whale to the  
Ship saw whales close to ship  
Waist Boat went on and missed one so goes back in sail



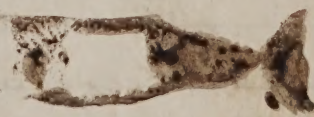
Monday Sept 21. at daylight commence cutting  
in the whale at 7 A.M. saw sperm whales got  
breakfast and lowered 3 boats chased without  
success at 12 o'clock came on board found the whale  
cut in (with only 1 Boat's crew cook & steward)  
down the decks and commence Boiling



Tuesday Sept 22 Boiling the Head last night  
broke one of the Tug Pots. Break out Fore Hole and  
get a spare one and at 12 A.M. was set and fire  
under it. so you see that Whalemans are Masons  
and Jacks at all trades.

Wednesday Sept 23 at daylight cooled down  
down the works the whale turned up 55 B.Bs.

Friday Sept 25 break out the Run and commence  
stowing down at 10 A.M. saw sperm whales to  
windward at 12 A.M. lowered all 4 Boats at 2 P.M.  
Waist Boat struck and whale took his line in less  
than no time here is more hard Deck and beam  
work. We have struck and lost 250 Barrels in  
2 months It is no use (What is to go will go and  
ropes wont hold it)

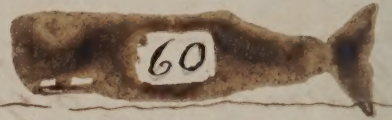
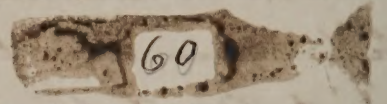


Saturday Sept 26 finish stowing down in  
the Run stow down 40 B.Bs. in Barrels so Ends  
this day by washing Decks Wetting the lower Hole  
under double reefed topsails. saw nothing this day



Ship Virginia on Japan 2000 Bbls. 1846

Sunday September 27. At 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  A.M. saw 2  
whales lowered and chased without success  
At 2 P.M. saw them coming to leeward  
lowered and struck 2 whales Starboard  
and Larboard Boats at sunset  
took them Alongside for the Night  
and took in sail so Ends. Midnight  
Lat 33. 15 N. Long 68. 45 East.



Monday Sept 28th. At daylight commence  
cutting the whales at 12 A.M. got their bodies cut  
in, at 5 P.M. got their heads in cases baled  
and the blubber cut into horse pieces and 10  
Barrels boiled out the 2 will make 120 B.Bls  
Making the Virginia 2000 Barrels strong

Wednesday 30th Sept boiling saw 2 right  
whales at 5 P.M. did not lower for them at 6  
P.M. cool down 120 barrels turned up so Ends

Friday Oct 2d 1846 Break out Larboard  
side between decks aft and stow down 135 Barrels  
B.Bls of the last whale which was not filled then to  
stow. This makes us 2000 large More than many  
of us ever expected to get. good and bad luck  
attends us quite often as well as bad Management  
No making the best of our way Into Sandwich  
Islands 2 Men off Duty and several complaining  
sore legs symptoms of the scurvy. Ming I went  
course E & East

Saturday October 3d Strong Breezes from SW  
Make all sail. break out fore hole to make better  
stowage the decks to much lumbered up with cask  
so Ends by wetting the oil which we do every  
Saturday and wash the decks rail &c &c



Ship Virginia T. J. Chase Bound to Sandwich Islands  
October 4. till 1846. 2,000 barrels sperm oil

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October 6th the wind S West course E N East

October 8 Wind from West N West with rain come do

October 10th Strong Breezes from the North Squally  
with rain Now on the Meridian Long 180. Lat 30.  
under double reefed Topsails course E by North

October 11 Strong Breezes from the North with heavy sea  
furl the fore and Mizzen Topsail at 8 p m set them  
split the Mainsail and condemned it

Saturday Sunday an?

Monday October 12th Commences with light wind from the N East  
Middle and latter the same so Ends In West Long

Wednesday Oct 14 Strong breezes from the N N West  
under double reefed topsails

Friday Oct 16th Wind from the same quarter Made  
all sail course East by N Lat 22.10 N, Long 160.17  
West

Sunday October 18th 1846 the Wind from W N West all  
sail set course East by South so Ends Long 158.4 W.

Monday 19th oct. fresh breezes from South at  
10 A M saw sperm whale. lowered two  
boats and chased without success. (gallies whale)

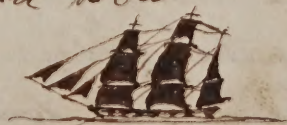
Tuesday 20 1846

Light Wind from the South saw Nothing so Ends

Tack and tack Wind Bafflin Head SE and West

Wednesday 21. 1846

at 7 A M saw a sail 1/2 parts on Starboard Bow  
Heading to Eastward





# Ship Virginia Bound to Sandwich Islands

October Saturday 24. 1846. 2000 B/56

This day commences with light wind from South  
saw a sail 3 points on Weather Bow



Sunday 25. Oct light wind from S.W. West heading  
S.E. The sail is a bark quite near 3 pts abt the beam

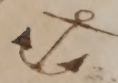
Monday 26th Light wind from North East Middle  
and latter the same

Tuesday 27th Oct Strong breeze from N East

Wednesday 28. Oct Strong N.E. East Trade. Saw a ship  
on the Larboard Bow steering S.W. at 2 P.M.  
saw the Land Owyhee on Weather beam and Maui  
a head saw 3 sails 2 Barks 1 Ship Bound In at 5 pm  
shorten sail for night the chains bent



Thursday Oct 29. At 8 AM braced forward and made  
sail at sunrise saw the Harbour and 26 sail of ship  
being at anchor at 11 AM we came at L  
Afternoon broke out for Pipes and sent a Raft on shore  
for water so Ends this day I got some letters



Friday 30 got off the water and clean the ship out  
side for painting

Saturday 31 Oct. The Starboard watch go on shore  
on Liberty. The watch employed painting ship

Sunday Nov 1. Larboard watch go on shore all  
return at sunset. This is the only temperance port  
this side of the land. It is the still and quietest place  
that I ever saw there are 400 men going on shore  
on liberty every day and they have to come off sober  
The duty of Liquors is 5 dollars per gallon and this  
is the only way to put a stop to men drinking  
There are some old toppers that have bought and drunked all  
the Cologne water in the place



# Ship Virginia at Lahina at Anchor 1846

⚓ Monday Nov 2 Starboard Watch on Liberty employe  
Blacking Bends and painting ship. so Ends

⚓ Tuesday Nov 3. 1846 All hands remain on board  
and stow down the water one watch could have  
done it

⚓ Wednesday Nov 4 Starboard Watch go on shore.  
The watch employed painting and various jobs ship  
work. so Ends sunset all on board

⚓ Thursday Nov 5. Starboard Watch go on shore  
we finish painting I paint the letter on the stern  
we receive 25 barrels of Irish potatoes so Ends

⚓ Friday Nov 6th 1846 Starboard Watch go on shore  
the Starboard send down the Main top Gall Mast  
to fit the Rigger so Ends receive 20 barrels of potatoes

⚓ Saturday 7 of Nov 3 years from home to day  
we send up the Main top Gall Mast and set up the  
Rigger blowing a gale from the N. East many  
ships have both ⚓s down and some have  
draged a foul but little damage done

⚓ Sunday Nov 8. 1 Watch go on shore this brings  
us in 2 Sundays on shore a very dull day  
I have been in the Kannaika church  
twice to Meeting their singing is good  
but the preaching I cannot say for it is  
in Kannaika

⚓ Monday Nov 9 Starboard Watch go on shore  
Starboard get the ship ready for sea lash  
water casks, potatoes and so

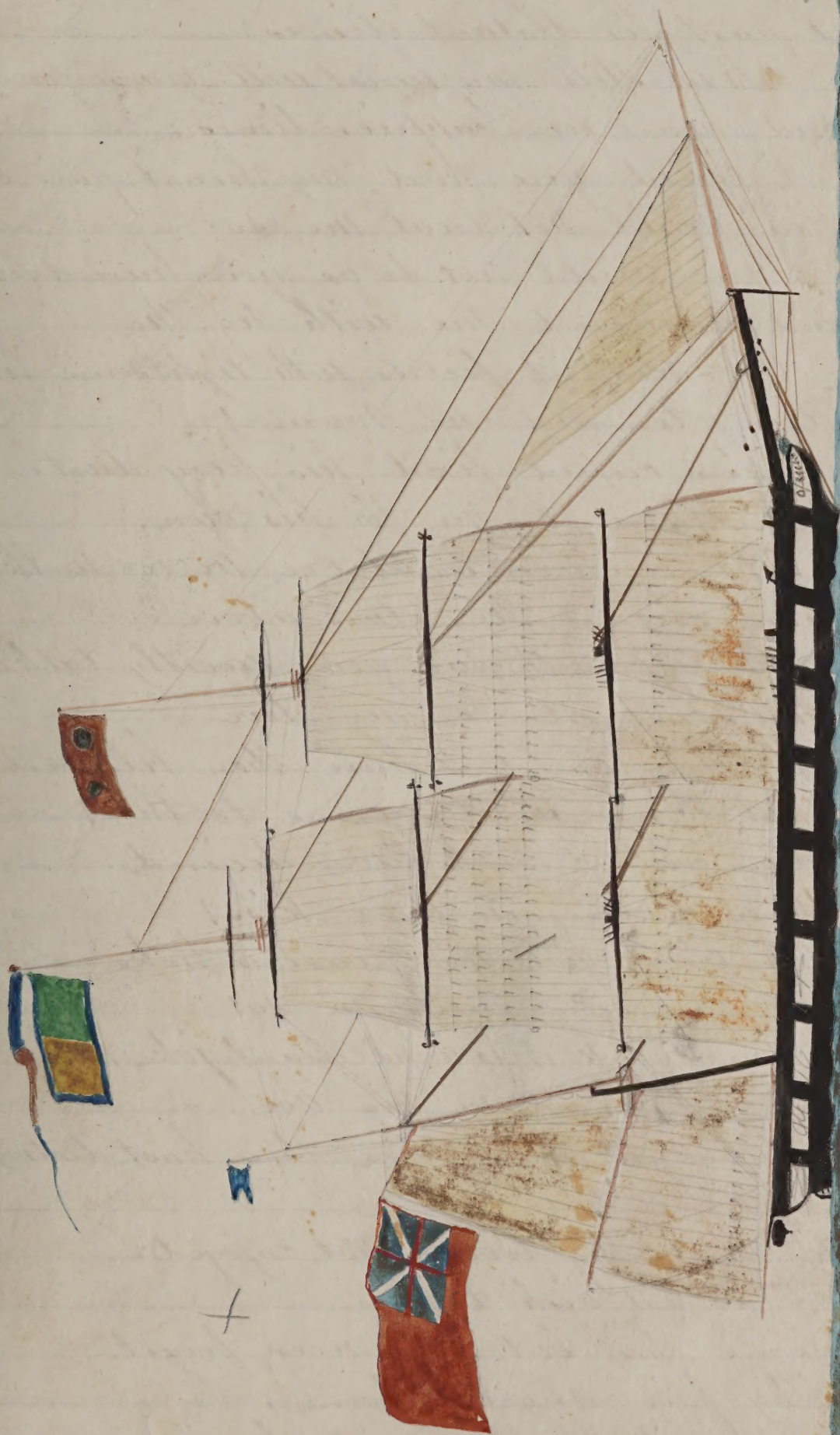
⚓ Tuesday Nov 10. Starboard Watch last days liberty  
get every thing on board ship 4 men here have  
discharged 4. 3 Kannaikas 1 American sick  
we shall soon be on our journey home





Line







*The Rejected's Farewell.*

Adieu, fair girl one last adieu  
I part for distant climes;  
But still my heart will yearn for you.  
And pray for happier times.  
O could you had my heart fair one  
You would not treat me so:  
You would not do as you have done<sup>me</sup>.  
And answered me with No. No  
O'er verdant fields with lightsome heart  
How often did we roam!  
There cupid fixed his fiery dart.  
And claimed me for his own.  
Oft on a moonlight eve we've walked.  
When shone the stars above:  
And oft with me you sweetly talked.  
And listened to my love  
O How could I have then believed  
That things would come to this!  
How could I think I was deceived.  
When favoured by a kiss!  
Oh, cruel girl my heart is broke  
How can you treat me so!  
You think it is a pleasant joke.  
And laugh to see my woe.  
Although my peace thou hast destroyed  
Yet thee I do forgive.  
Oh since thy love is not enjoyed.  
I do not wish to live  
I leave thee but can ne'er forget.  
Thy fair angelic form;  
My eyes with tears will oft be wet  
And oft for thee I'll mourn  
Then O farewell - since we must part -  
Farewell alas! Forever:  
From thee I part with broken heart,  
And ah shall see thee never.  
Aug 25. 1846. Ship Virginia



# Ship Virginia Bound to the Coast Chili <sup>Dec</sup> 1846

Wednesday Nov 11. 1846 We once more take our anchor on the bows and bid adieu to the Sandwich Islands. The ship John of N.B. and Sharon of F.B. leaving but a few ships in port. We are now once more at sea the Island of Owyhe of the Starboard beam set the Watch. Whole watches the remainder of this voyage and carry all sail on till we fall in with open water.

Thursday Nov 12. Light winds from E N E fine weather. The ship John of the Lee quarter so Ends.

Friday Nov 13. Strong trades from the E N East the ship not in sight so Ends.

Saturday Nov 14. fine weather light winds get out the Fly Gib Boom and set up the stays.

Sunday Nov 15 Commences with light wind from E S E. To East course E S East Lat 12. 17 N

Monday Nov 16 Commences with light wind from E by South got the Bow Boat in and mend her.

Tuesday Nov 17 at daylight saw a sail off Lee quarter. Employed repairing Fly Gib. Making spun yarn. paint Boat and sundry jobs. Spoke a French ship had Turkeys for dinner fore and aft in the ship. Some thing strange will turn up.

Wednesday Nov 18 Commences with light wind from E S East. Bend Fly gib Make spun yarn. Lon 165 West

Thursday Nov 19. At daylight saw a sail a stern at 12 AM she came up abeam suppose her a Man of War bound to Tahiti Society Is.

This day had Beans for the first time since leaving Talkeanna 20 months ago.





1846. Ship Virginia Jos J Chace

November 20. 1846 \_\_\_\_\_ 2000 Bbls Sp

Friday This day commences with strong breezes from  
E S East saw Nothing

Saturday Nov 21. Strong breezes from E S E heading Sea  
Top Gall sails In. Wet Hole and Mark decks so Ends

Sunday Nov 22. Strong breezes heading South saw nothing  
Lat 4. 30 North Long 155. 16 East.

Monday Nov 23 Fine weather and strong breeze  
heading South

Tuesday Nov 24. Strong breeze from E S E head  
S S E. Mend Main topsail Lat 1. 10 N

Wednesday Nov 25. quite rugged take in top gall  
sails so Ends stand 3 Watches Lat 40 miles South  
Long 157. 33. West

Thursday Nov 26 Cruising saw Nothing  
carry sail Night a strong current setting West

Friday until Tuesday 1st Dec Cruising  
saw Nothing now bound on to the South  
Long 149. 50 Lat 4. 34 South

Wednesday Dec 2d 1846. sent up a new fore  
top sail and repair the old

Thursday Dec 3d fine weather and light wind  
get steering sail Booms on the yards

Friday Dec 4. Lat 9. 6 S

Fine weather set up Fore and Main rigging  
and fore stay. Main Top m rigging and set Fore top Mast steering  
sail

saw cow fish 

Saturday 5 Dec light wind from E N E sent up Main  
royal third and sail. sent up Main JG steer sail  
scrubed masts Wet Hole and scrubed the Decks so Ends



# Bound to Massapeau to Cruise 1846

Sunday Dec 6 Commences with light air from NE  
course S East with steering sail, Lat 10.5 S

Monday Dec 7 Com with light air and rain in squalls

Tuesday Dec 8 This day commences with light wind from  
NN East all sail set Main Royal do Lat. 13.18 South

Wednesday Dec 9. 1846.

This is what I call dull music we have not seen  
the sport of a whale since we left the Islands. A month  
ago my <sup>bro</sup> that I expect to get on the passage looks  
all drawing sail set saw nothing

Thursday Dec 10. 1846

This day commences with squalls of rain  
latter fine Make spungum down SE. Lat 15.20 South  
Friday 11. Dec

This morning saw the Land   
one of the Society Islands saw a fin back. what a sight  
5 Islands in sight Society Isls

Saturday Dec. 12. light wind from NE East land in  
sight saw nothing of the fish kind

Sunday Dec 13

Light wind course SE saw Black Fish so Ends

Monday Dec 14 Commences fine weather and a

Tuesday 15 Dec Mate sick and three others

1846 Wednesday 16 Dec fine. course SSE. Lat 20.48. 158. N

Thursdays 17 Dec Wind north all sail set course SSE

Friday 18 Dec Wind S West course S East. cloudy

Saturday 19 Dec Wind S East heading S West. Lat 28.50  
another week rolled away and not much seen.

Sunday December 20. Commences with rainy weather  
the wind from East to S East all sail latter clear no rain

Monday Dec 21. Commences with rain wind East  
heading S East strong breeze

\$5 is up for the man that kills a hundred Bkks for oil  
Lat 31.58 S Long 147.50 West



# Ship Virginia for Massapeauwro

December Tuesday 22<sup>d</sup>.

Commences with stormy weather and fresh breeze  
wind from East to E N E heading S East  
Middle foggy with rain so Ends this day

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Dec Wednesday 23<sup>d</sup> Weather quite fine wind light  
from N N East. Course East we have now turned  
the corner & for a good breeze to waft her on

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December 24 Thursday We have that good breeze  
from the North set steering sails course East  
Long. 147.20 West

Christmas Day 25 Dec Commences with fog &  
rain and wind from the North all sail made  
At 12 dine on Roast Pork and Plum Duff

Saturday 26. Dec Commences with Fog and Rain  
wind from North N N West all drawing sails set  
the last Saturday In 1846. Long 149.17 West

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~~Lord's~~ Day 27. of 12<sup>th</sup> Month Commences with a  
calm Middle and latter much the same

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Tuesday Dec 29. Comm with rain and wind from  
E S East. at 2 P M double reefed Top sails at 5 P M  
wind shifted to South In a squall took In all  
sail but double reefed Main Top sail. so Ends

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Wednesday Dec 30 Good weather make all sail wind  
from the South. course East by N. Lat 34. 5 S Long 155

Friday January 1<sup>st</sup> 1847 This is the 4<sup>th</sup> New year  
day we have seen on this voyage and thank God that  
we have been permitted to see it. and May it  
be a year of grace to to all fellow travelers to  
Eternity.

Massapeauw 2500 miles distance East by North

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# Ship Virginia 1847

January Monday 4. Commences with fine weather  
Wind from West Course East by North all the steering sail  
set. Send down Miz Top sail and repair it  
Lat 34.40 Long 131.20. Mate on duty again

Tuesday Commences light wind from the West all sail  
set. Saw nothing so Ends

Wednesday Jan 6. light N West Wind all drawing  
sail set Repairing block straps to topsail boom

Thursday Jan 7 Commences with fine Breeze  
from the West all drawing sail set Long 22.30 West

Friday January 8th Commences with light wind from  
West at 6 PM saw sperm whales close to ship. thick  
weather and going quick to windward did not leave the Boats

Sunday Jan 10. Commences light wind from West all  
drawing sail set course E by N Long 115.50 West  
Lat 34.41 South

Monday Jan 11. Commences with good weather and light  
winds from N. N. West course East by N. saw what we called  
sperm whales. lowered 3 boats and chased until sundown found  
to be grampuses or Del

Tuesday Jan 13. Fore part of this fine weather and  
wind West. Latter part Wind S West. Lat 25.10 South.  
Long 108.40 West.

Wednesday January 15. Commences with light air  
from the South Found the Fore Yard rotten bent  
In on deck and commence fishing it

Thursday 16th Jan A calm at 12 PM bent up  
fore yard and bent the fore sail so. In a calm  
wash Deck wet the Hole pump. ship so so

Friday 17 Jan fine weather a breeze from S West set  
steering sail. Course East Long 102.10 West



1847 SHIP VIRGINIA J. T. CHASE master,

Bound to Massapeque Jan 18. 1847

Monday Jan 18. Commences with good weather Wind  
W & West all sail set course E by N

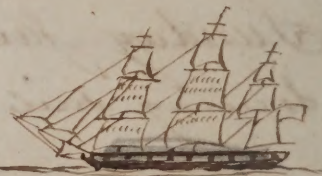
Tuesday Jan 19. Wind hauling to the South take in  
sail to double reefed topsails.

Wednesday Jan 20. Lat 34.40 S Long 101.15  
Friday January 22d Commences with rain and  
fresh breezes from South East. Long 96.35 West

Saturday 23 Commences with a calm Middle and  
latter the same Long 93.5. Lat 22.50

Sunday 24. Sun Commences with light wind from W & W  
all drawing sail set. Saw nothing Long 92 25 West

Tuesday Jan 26. (15 Mo 700 Sp. Bealena 110)  
Commences with light wind from the  
East at 8 AM saw a sail of Lee  
Bow at 11 AM exchanged signals did  
not make out who she was bound East



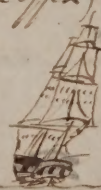
Wednesday Jan 27 light wind from S West sent down  
fore topsail and sent up an old one so Ends ship  
2 pts on Weather Bow and 15 Miles distant

Thursday Jan 28

Fine weather and light breezes  
from the North saw a sail 4 pts  
on Weather Bow at 1 PM saw another  
at 4 PM spoke Texas Coffin 41 Mo out 12.00 Sp. 300 Pump 15  
it do spoke Omega both of Manteucket 900 Sp. 27 Mo out  
so Ends with a game course East wind light saw nothing

L Coffin

(Omega)



Friday January 29. Commences with calm both ships near  
at 5 PM Capt Chase goes on board L Coffin for Oars.

Saturday 30 Wind from S. East the Omega of Lee Bow



Ship Virginia off Muscaturo. 1847

Sunday January 31. Commenced with light air from  
S East so Anch 2 sail In sight Long 86 00 W  
" " " " " " " " " " Lat 22.15 S

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Monday, February 1st. Commences with fine weather and westerly wind course E S East with steering sails set unbent royal and gallant steering sail at 4 PM saw another sail 4 pt. on weather bow — Long 84.30 West —

Monday February 2d

Commence fine weather saw nothing so End by shooting sail

Wednesday Feb 3 Make sail at 10 AM saw  
Loose and got 2 so Encl. take in sail

Thursday 4. the fine weather saw nothing  
at 4 PM we saw a sail The Harriot, Dupre  
of Freeport 1800. 150 sps bound in to Cooper the oil

Saturday Feb 6. Commenced good weather make sail at  
9 A M saw Massafews bearing NE by E 45 Miles ~~South~~  
Long 82.5 West

Sunday 7. 1847 Commence good weather at 8 AM saw  
a whole ship with white signal blue ball in it  
at 4 PM saw another sail off lee beam Massafewos  
Massafewos bearing N East 20 miles.

Monday Feb 8

A day light made all sail and run off the the Is.  
and stood off shore. did not fish as was expected by  
many that would suit to well. Steer & West

Wednesday 10 Fine Weather Make all sail at 11 AM  
saw a Brig and Merchant Bark bound S East

Thursday February 11. Commenced with fair  
breeze sail seen 2 Whale ships heading in  
to the Eastward at 10 AM took in 7 Gale Tails



# Ship Virginia off Massachusetts Feb 1847

February Friday 12 At daylight Make sail and stand  
to S West. Cloudy with some rain

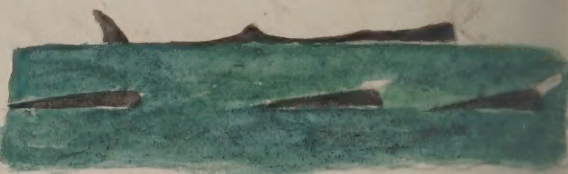
Saturday 13. Strong breeze. Under double reefed topsails  
at 7 PM take in all sail but close reefed Main topsail  
At 2 PM saw a sail on weather beam

Sunday Feb 14.

Commences good weather. Massachusetts  
bearing E. N. E 40 miles. So ends this day no whales and  
a poor prospect of seeing any this cruise

Lat 34.11 S Long 82.50 W

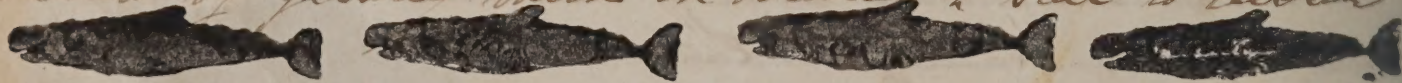
Wednesday Feb 17 Commences with  
light wind from S West at 9 AM  
saw sperm whale, lowered and  
chased without success. saw a sail  
whales gone dead to windward like race hares



Thursday Feb 18 Make sail at daylight saw  
2 sail showed signals with one  
showing blue field with white ball.



Friday Fine weather saw a sail ahead at 2  
PM saw Black Fish lowered and struck 5  
so ends by getting them on board. 12 sail to leeward



February Tuesday 23 Make all sail saw a  
sail 2 points of Lee Bow at 7 AM  
spoke her the Bark Massachusetts  
Capt Luce 17 Ans 2600 Whales  
Capt Chase goes on board. the very  
ship we have been looking for



Wednesday February 24. 1847

This day commences with a hot of M. K. saw what what  
we called whales and ran off found them to be killers  
at 9 AM Capt Luce comes on board and stays all  
day the 2 Capt. have much privacy between themselves



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## Ship Virginia Cruising off Massafuro

Thursday Feb 24<sup>5</sup>

Steering E N East for Juan Fernandez  
 saw Massafuro 2 pts on larboard bow  
 saw nothing sundown shorten sail  
 and lie with head sails to Mast.



Friday Feb 25 February

Fine weather steering E N East at 10 AM saw  
 Juan Fernandez bearing N E by N at 4 PM haul  
 on the wind for the Island all night. at

Saturday 26 At day light

Juan bore N W by N distant 8  
 miles at 8 AM lowered two boats  
 and sailed in shore a fishing saw boats from Chilumbus  
 F Fe 5 mi out 450 sperm G Hernandez S Fe 2000 whale 40 mi  
 sole 1000 saw an English Brig at anchor in Cumberland Bay



Sunday Feb 28 in Lent Juan in sight at 12 AM tuck  
 and stand to Westward saw nothing

Monday March 1st Wind from the South head E S E  
 at 10 AM saw a sail on Weather Bow heading to Westward

Tuesday March 2d pleasant. Wind from   
 the West Course S East. Middle wind hauls to the  
 south and blows hard double reef the topsails.

Wednesday March 3 Continues to blow hard at 10 AM  
 take in fore & Mizen topsails Lat 35.9 S Long 75.1 West

Thursday 4 March Still blowing a gale from South  
 Laying to under 2 reefed Main Toppail and Mizen stay sail

Friday March 5 Still blowing heaving in shore at 11 AM  
 haul away Main stay sail stay and (lost netting  
 larboard) fit new stay and set up the stay.

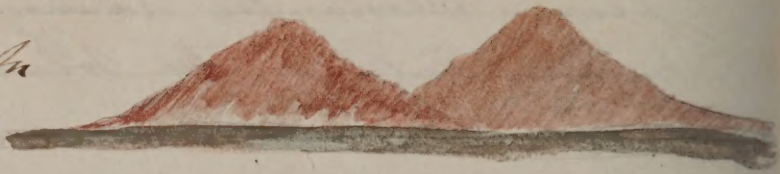


# Bound To Tachuan Chile 1847

Saturday March 6. More Moderate Make sail  
at night have top Gallant sails on her heading E & East

Sunday March 7th Commences light Wind from the  
N West. all sail set. saw many hump Backs

Monday March 8. light Wind from the North Wind  
calm saw the Land  
the peaks to Windward  
& Tachuan stand in  
till 8 o'clock. P.M. in tack



Tuesday March 9. At 8 AM off Tachuan get the  
anchors off the Bows. and in working in got ashore  
but hauled all a back and off she came } area  
at 9 PM came at  off the Great City of Talcahuano  
& whole ships lying at anchor

Wednesday March 10. 1847

Call all hands at daylight and get a raft of water  
cocks fill them. Clean ship and get off the water

Thursday March 11. paint yards Back the bends  
and inside of the waist and other jobs

Friday March 12. Starboard watch go on liberty  
the rest continue painting afternoon heal ship

Saturday 13. Larboard watch go on Liberty for 24  
hours continue painting finish painting

Sunday 14 Starboard watch go on shore the  
rest get some good sleep which is not to be got  
on shore. for (fleas)

Monday 15 All hands on board expected to  
receive 120 bbl. sperm oil from Bk Harriot at 12 AM  
the oil came and we stored it down



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# Thoughts on Terra Firma The 41

Scott

1847

Breathes there the man, with soul so dead  
Who never to himself hath said.

This is my own, my native land!  
Whose heart hath never within him burned  
As home his footsteps he hath turned,  
From wandering on a foreign strand!

If such there breath go mark him well,  
For no true friendship in him dwell.

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May thy life flow sweetly on  
Mild as the heavens when storms are gone  
And leave no darkness there  
May no rude winds thy calmness move  
But the pure beams of peace and love  
Light on thee everywhere.

We are divided - but the care  
Of Him whose love the least may share  
Will rest upon us still, all.  
The home thou left is open still,  
And those who love thee ever will  
Be ready at thy call.

We are divided - but the hour  
Will come when no dividing power  
Can longing souls restrain;  
As streams uniting in one sea,  
In the Ocean of eternity  
We thus shall meet again.

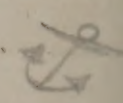
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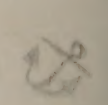
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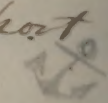
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Ship Virginia Capt J. I. Chace 1847

Tuesday March 16 All hands remain on board being  
72 bundles of bone from Harriet 1500 pounds  
get of 8000 sticks of wood crew sticks. 

Wednesday 17 The Larboard Watch go on Liberty there  
not much to do but clean up Deck. 

Thursday 18 March Starboard on shore 3 day after  
the Mate has not come off dont think he will  
send Mainsail Fore sail Jib send up for Royal  
yard and sail so Ends. 3 ships beating in to port. 

Friday 19 Larboard Watch go last go for this voyage  
Mr Prentice Chief Mate gets his discharge, and  
4 Spaniards and 1 Portuguese. Ship Mr Lewis  
Mate of ship formerly 2d Mate of Bk Harriet 

Saturday March 20. At 8 AM leave short  
at 12 get under weigh and bid adieu to talchur  
and never expect to see it more stow the L's  
bet the Hole and wash off Deck, not been idle  
this afternoon God speed the good ship to  
the Shores of New England. so Ends all sail.

Sunday 21 March Commences with fog and light  
Wind from the West set the steering sail 2 sail  
In sight found New Man on board this forenoon  
a Black Man that stowed himself away, so Ends

Monday 22 Com. with light Winds from N.W. West  
all Sail set Royals and steering sail heave  
new fore and Main braces so Ends Log 75. 7 M

Tuesday 23 Commences with fresh breeze from N.W. &  
comm S.W. West. Latter strong gale brought her down  
to close reefed topsails so Ends ship much water



# Ship Virginia bound to New Bedford.

Wednesday March 24

Still continues blowing hard from the N. S. West head south at 7 A M set Reefed Main sail and Jib at 10 A M take them in latter more moderate set Main topsails whole keels out fore and Main so Ends

Thursday 25 Commences with fresh breezes from the N. N. West course & West with all sail set thick hazy weather something like Cape Horn

Friday March 26 Commence with light wind and heavy swell at 9 A M saw Sperm Whales at 10 land and chased and struck a 60 Bbl Whale at 12 A M took him to ship at 5 1/2 P M had him cut in so Ends



Saturday 27 light wind from the West boiling break out for casks send down cutting gear body all boiled commence on the haul Lat 41. S

Sunday 28 At daylight cool down Mark of deck set the watch latter part coopers the oil at 4 P M set jib and spanker.

Monday 29. March Commences with fine weather stow down 55 Bbls sperm oil heft the blubber boom Wet Hole wash decks so Ends

Tuesday March 30 Commences with light wind from the S East Middle N East set Sticksails course S. S. West Repair Gily jib & c c so Ends

Wednesday March 31 Commences strong breezes from the N. N. West increased to double reefed topsails put jib and spanker

Thursday April 1st Commence strong breezes from N. West Make sail send the 1st haul



1847

# April Ship Virginia off Cape Horn

Friday April 2d strong gale from the SE  
under close reefed topsails and reefed courses  
heading S West. wind Bafflin at 3 AM wore  
ship made sail heading SE & her course.  
Lat 47.5 S

Saturday April 3d strong gales from N West  
Main T<sup>g</sup> sail on going Pine Knots at 12 AM saw  
and passed signals with a Norwegian Brig heading  
N East under short sail  
Lat 49.55 S

Sunday April 4 More Moderate Wind aft  
Ship rolls heavy and ships much better fore aft  
No obs Lat 52.19 S

Monday 5 fine weather and light wind set steering  
sails top mast and lower steering sail at 4 PM wind  
hauled down to the south gun Cold I am  
sick with the Dysentery & piles and off duty  
Lat 54.9 S D<sup>H</sup>

Tuesday 6 of April. Long 77.50  
Commences good weather and strong breezes from S West  
course S East. At 12 AM got in observation Lat 55.50  
now South of Cape Horn. Square the yards and head  
her East by South set all steering sails and Main  
royal. fine weather and quite warm so Ends  
Lat 56.46

Wednesday April 7. 1847 forty one Months from N<sup>Y</sup>  
two more and then who is what at 6 AM saw a Merchant  
Bark hove to under close reefed Main topsail and reefed  
for sail suppose her English Lat 56.50 Long 73.30 W

Thursday April 8. 1846  
Blowing a heavy gale  
running under double  
reefed M Top sail & Fore sail  
with a how of hail and  
down royal and Topgallant  
at 6 PM hove to ship ten  
on the SE tack wind S West.





Ship Virginia Bound to New Bedford . 1847

Friday April 9. 1847. Commences with snow at 7 A M  
set the Foresail and steer N East blowing a hard gale  
ship large quantities of water. Lat by Obs 55.45 S  
at 2 P M set Main topsail 2 reefs. Long 64.40 West  
at 7 P M set fore and Main close reefed so Ends more moderate

Saturday April 10th. Com with light Wind from S.S.W.  
with a heavy swell Make all sail Repair Damages  
of late gale get in the Larboard Boat Repair Beams  
and Davits at 6 P M saw a sail point of Larboard  
Bow heading south Lat 54.30 S

23

Sunday April 11. Commences with fresh  
breezes from N.N.W. latter S.West set Steering sails and  
Main Royal Course N.N.East. caught 5 pigeons of the yards  
Lat 53.23 S Long 55.15 West

24

Monday April 12 Commences with strong breezes from N.W.  
by N at 11 A M double reefed the fore & Main topsail at  
4 P M took in the jib and Mainsail so Ends quite cold

25

Tuesday April 13. 1847. Strong gale from S.West  
hunching under double reefed Topsails. course  
N by East deck full of water Lat 52.7 S

Long 53.14 West

Wednesday April 14. Wind hauled to N.N.West  
26 course N by East under single reefed Top & Main  
T.G. Sail so Ends " " " " Lat by Obs 49.35 S

Thursday 15. 1847. Strong breezes from N.N.West  
shorten sail parted the back ropes of the jib boom  
and parted jib guy take in fore and Main topsail and  
close reef the Main Lat 48.7 S Long 49.30 W

Friday April 16

Blowing a gale from the N West at 10 A M hauled  
to West course N by East at 4 P M Made all  
possible sail. Ship much water. dry feet are  
scarce onboard this ship. Lat 47.00 S



# Journal of Ship Virginia bound to New Bedford

Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup> 1847

29 days) Commences with light wind from the South and good weather (once more) Mend Boat. Repair back chain of jib boom send up J. J. 9 yard & sail and J. Royal shift steering sails &c so Ends this week  
~~~~~ Lat

30 Sabbath or Lords Day 18<sup>th</sup>. Long

Commences with strong breezes from S E with rain all sail set at 12 A M take in Royals and J. J. steering sails at 6 P M shorten sail down to double reefed Topsails rolling both rails under no dry feet on this ships decks when before the wind seen dry decks 2 day since we left port 21 day 1 month out DR 44.40 No Br

Monday April 19. More moderate with heavy swell water knee deep bend a new Top M steering sail and set it so Ends all sail set Wind S S W. Comes N N Eurt Lat 41. 34 S Long 43. 20 West

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Tuesday 20. April Commences with strong breezes from S West all sail set at 6 A M get out L. Boat & Waist Boat all hands Employed to trim the ship Break out 7 Fide and let the shooks and put them in steerage. at 6 P M squally carried away J. J. M steering sail Boom This day Men at Mast head. Lat 39. 26 South  
Wednesday April 21.

This day commences with strong breezes from S West all possible sail set Lat 36. 24 S

Long 34. 30 W

Thursday April 22. Commence strong breezes at 2 A M Carried away J. J. M steering sail Boom. that makes 2 M 48 hours. all hands this day at various mending sail and work on the rigging Lat 34. 14 S

35 days

Friday April 23. Commences with light wind from North. all hands Employed at various jobs on rigging so Ends this day Lat 33. 20



# B Remarks onboard Ship Virginia

Saturday 24 April Commences with light air from N.N.E. Part 1 Watch on deck send out Fly jib set up jib stay s. Ends this 24 hours Wet Hole and Wash decks

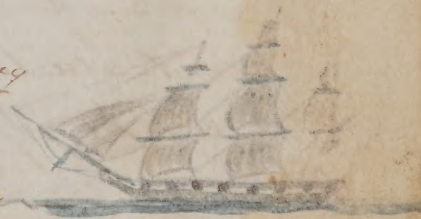
Sunday 25 Strong breezes from North double reef topsails at 7 P.M. take In fore and Main Tails Hoving a gale

Monday 26 April Rainy Wind N Hoving hard at 11 A.M. set the topsails at 4 P.M. Wind hauled to South Made all sail take up the sheathing off Main deck so Ends

Tuesday (27 April) 27 Commences with strong Breezes from S.E. East Course N.N.E. all sail set. Mend old Main. Top sail so Ends Rainy

Wednesday April 28. Commences Rainy Wind S.E. East all possible sail set  
saw a ship suppose her Silas Richards Long 35. 27. West of Sighambour off Lee beam Lat 30. 12 South

Thursday 29. 1847. Commences strong gale The S. Richards on Weather quarter Middle and latter Rainy so Ends  
No O's



Friday 30 April More Moderate Every Day set  
saw a ship under close reefed topsails heading S West  
Watch Employed at various jobs course N.N.E. East  
Lat 22. 40 S Lon 35.

42 day) Saturday May 1.

Commences with S.E. East Trade Winds  
all sail on the ship sent up Main top  
at 2 P.M. saw an Eng. Bark head West  
Wash decks and wet hole so Ends



Lat 19. 33 S Lon 24. 10 West



Remarks Onboard the Ship Virginia 1847

Sunday May 2<sup>d</sup> 1847. 43 days from Chili  
This day commences with light S East trade wind from  
N. N. East with all possible sail set Lat. 17. 25 South

44 Monday May 3.  
Light wind all hands Employed taring and fitting  
the Riggin Maud Main Stay sail. So Ends.  
Lat 14. 55 South

45 Tuesday May 4.  
Commences light trade winds All hands Employed  
on the Riggin battledown fore & Main tar head  
gear So Ends this 24 hour Lat 12. 25 South

46 Wednesday May 5

Commences with light air from the East all hands  
Employed on the Riggin got the Fore Riggin done & tared

47 Thursday May 6 Lat 10. 36 South  
Good weather and light winds  
from E to E S East all hands Employed on the Riggin  
at 4 PM got all done and Chain coal tared

48 Friday May 7  
This day commences fine weather and light  
S East trades At work on Topsail: felling Blocks &c  
At 6 PM Spoke Baltimore Brig 3 day out Pernambuco  
Long 30. 4 West  
North coast Brazil

49 Saturday May 8  
4 sail Tr light land of lee beam  
fine weather light S. E wind

Lat 6. 5 South  
50 Sabbath Day May 9 Fresh S E trades all drawing  
sail set with fine weather course North.  
Lat 2. 46 South.

51 Monday May 10.

Commences with good weather and light  
S East trades course North. Raising sails  
latter part rainy wash decks Lat 2. 5 South



May  
Bound to New Bedford Mass with 2050 lbs Spun

Tuesday May 11. 1847.

Commences with huffing winds and rain Middle  
and Latter much the same

~~~~~ Lat 01.05 South

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May

Commences with light SEast wind and  
rain wash the keels and Bulworks with oil soap  
how generous. Rainy. ~~~~~ Lat 00.05 mile

Thursday 13. May ~~~~~ North

Commences with strong wind from E. N East  
likely trades. Middle Squally some rain  
send down Mains A and put in a new body  
Friday 14 May To G Sail Lat 02.00 North

Strong N. East Trades course N. W. by N  
all drawing sail Middle and latter the same West  
Lat 4.12 N Long 40.5

Saturday 15 May

Continues strong N East Trade wind course  
N W by North do some painting. Wet oil  
wash decks so Ends Lat 6.22 N Long 42.

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Sunday 16 May 57 days out of port

Strong N East trades with good clear weather  
The Virginia going like a scalded hog  
Lat 8.49 N Long 43.50

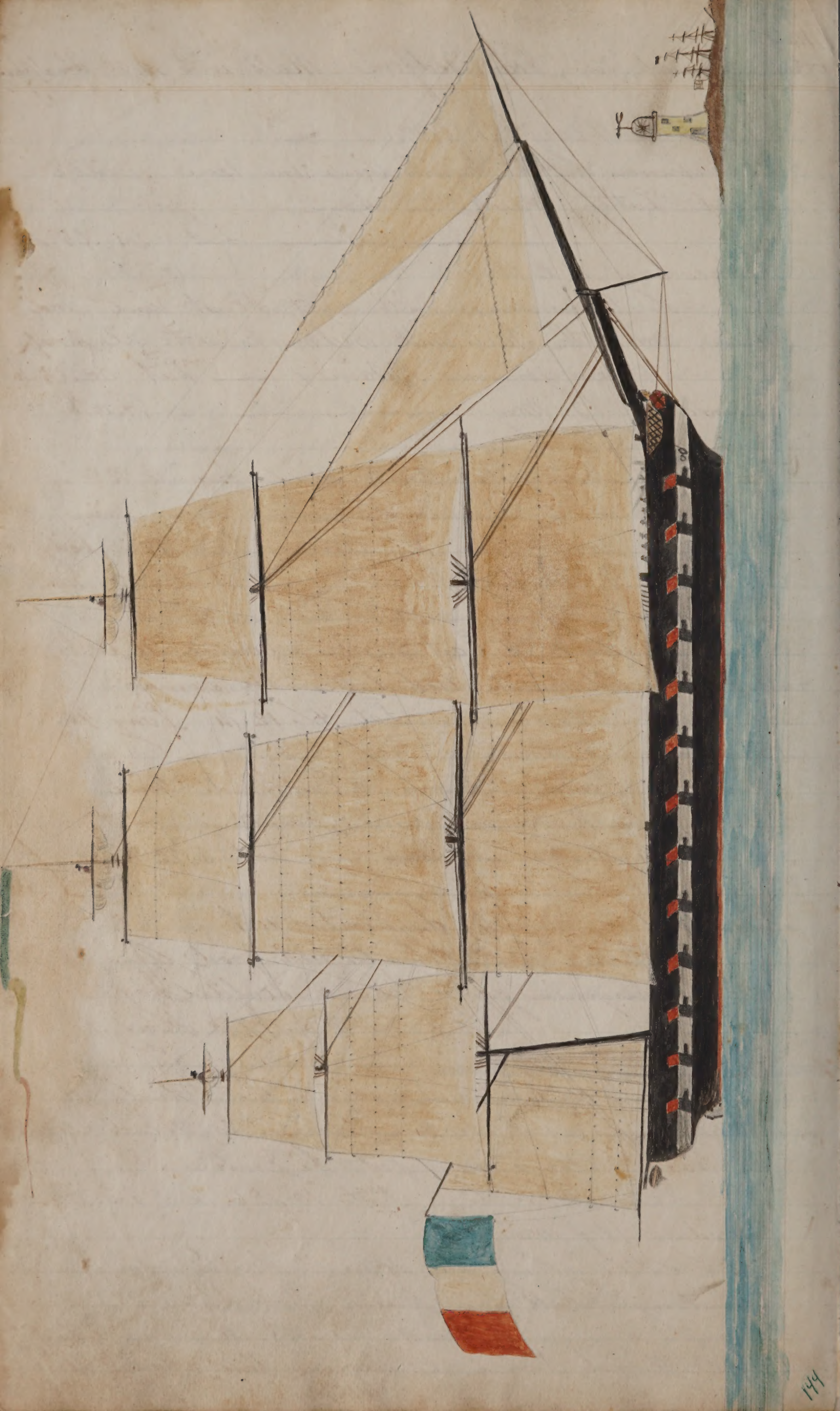
Monday 17. May

Still continue going the whole figure  
fine times and nothing doing to much water  
to paint. Every Reg set so Ends  
Lat 10.56. N 46.00

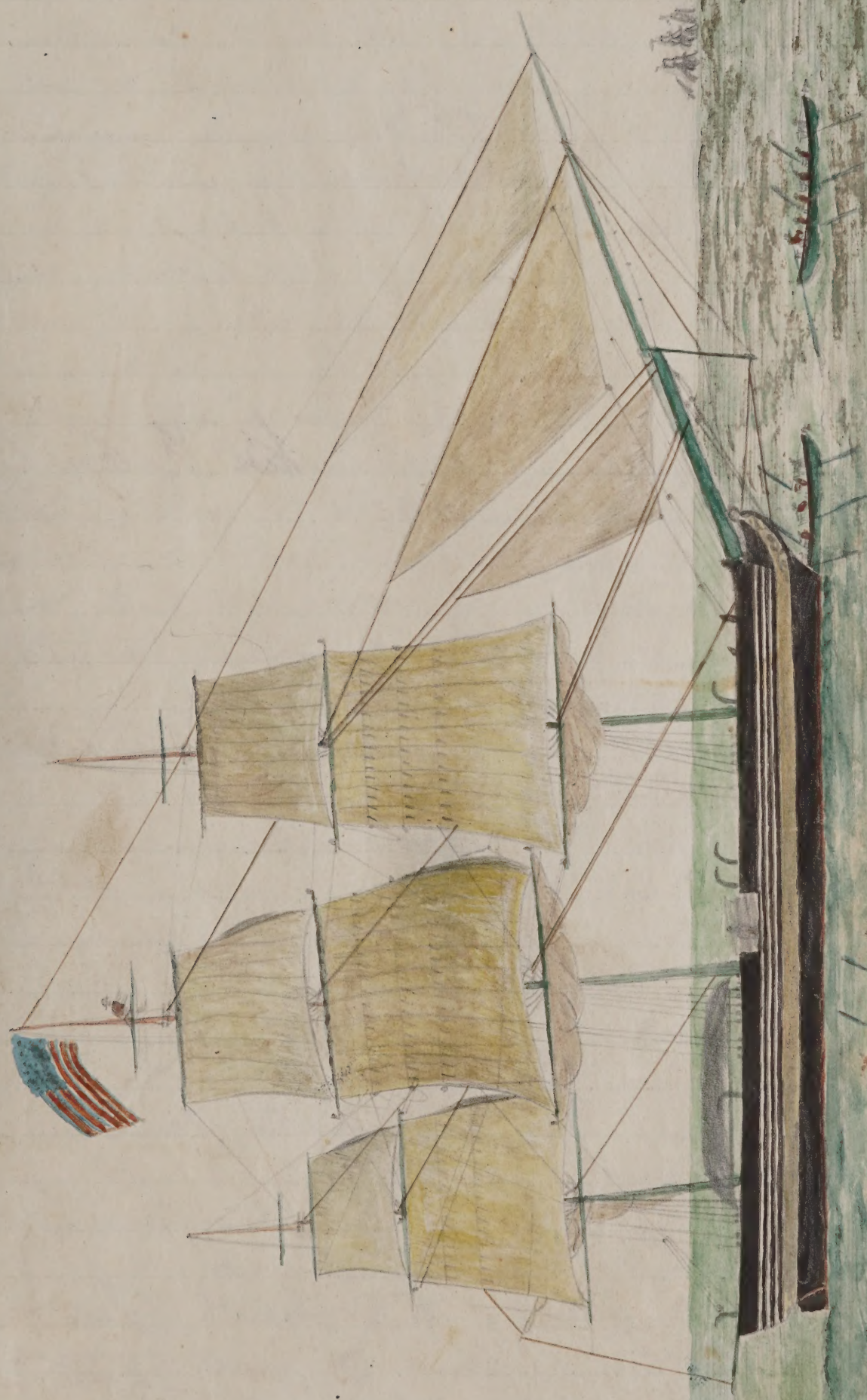
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Still going the same speed do some  
painting. Add the Lower Bob Stay  
Lat 13.28. N Long 48.07  
Good Lord continue this good wind









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Ship Virginia for Greece Capt



Journal of Ship Virginia bound to N. Bedford

John J. Shin  
Mary Ellen  
Shin

Mr. Am.

Mary J. Shin  
Laura J. Shin  
Clara B. Shin  
George

Miss Ellen O. Shin

low-

Urania  
Mr. John J. Shin

New Bedford

Mr. John

class

St. Middle St.

Ship Virginia Sailed Nov 7  
1843 Arrived June 1847



Joseph B. Chace Master

1847

60 Wednesday May 18.

Commences With Strong N.E. Trades at 7 A.M. saw a Brig 2 pts. on Starboard Bow steering to N. West at 7 P.M. she was off the Starboard beam. The Virginia has gone the Figure a week ago to day we crossed the line.



Lat 15.44 N Long 51.12

61 Thursday May 20

Course N.W. by N. Still she continues the same speed not much doing to rigged to paint. Brig out sight so Ends this 24 hours

Lat 18.22 North

62 Friday May 21. 1847.

Course N.W. by N. Fresh N.E. by E  $\frac{1}{2}$  East trades all drawing sail set paint some forward on fore Castle Break out for weather so Ends this 24 hours. on our Journey home

Lat 20.38. Long 56.17 W

63 Saturday May 22 d

Trades Moderate from N.E. to East S.E. all drawing sail set Empl painting bulwarks

Lat 22.58. N

Sunday May 23

Commences with fresh breezes from E.S.E. at 8 A.M. saw a schooner heading to the south. at 9 A.M. saw a brig off Lee beam so Ends this 24 hours

North

West

Lat 25.26. Long 60.01.

65 Monday May 24.

Commences with fine weather and light wind from E by N all possible sail made wet the oil wash the decks

Lat 26.37 North.

Long 62.45 West.

66 Tuesday May 25. 66 days out

Commences with light air from S.E. saw a brig and schooner heading to the south. so Ends plenty gulph weed saw Black fish



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Wednesday May 26 Commences with fine weather  
Middle the same. Light air from N.E start weather  
at 3 1/2 PM saw sperm whales a lone cow with a  
calf lowered and killed the pair  
at 5 PM commence cutting at a 1/4 past 6  
got him cut in and case sailed

Long 64. 17 W Lat 29. 1 N



Thursday May 27 Fine weather and calm at 6 AM  
cooled down boiling 12 lbs sperm oil at 7 wash decks  
this large whale has made no delay for we kept the  
boys on her and set steering sails last night  
so Ends light wind from N East

Friday May 28. 1847

Commences with a calm 3 sail in sight Merchant  
men bound to South 1 ship and  
3 brigs. coal tar the chains so  
Ends this day Lat 30. 17 N



Saturday May 29. 70 days out

Commences with light wind from  
W S West. Course N.W by N several sail in sight  
1 bark a whaler Met oil wash decks so Ends

Lat 31. 09 N Long 65. 57 West

Sunday May 30. 1847

Commenced with a good breeze from S.W.  
squally all drawing sail set. saw a bark  
of the weather beam  
latter light air so Ends Lat 33. 20 N

Long 66. 31 N

Monday May 31 and last 72 day out  
Commences with light air from W S West  
all sail set. Middle the same latter wind  
hauled to East 2 Barks in sight  
saw black fish at sun set did not lower  
so Ends Lat 34. 17 N Long 67. 24 West



Remarks onboard the Good Ship Virginia



# The U. S. Brig of War Somers. at Sea.

With Spencer, Comdant, and a Small crew at the yard arm



John  
Steele Diker

on the coast of Africa



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John

June 4 1847 This has been a very pleasant passage we have reefed Topsails but once since we were In the Lat 41 South carried royals and steering <sup>by</sup> all the time except 2 days head Wind. And now we have a S. West Wind and And Expect to be at Anchor In New Bedford the 6th Saturday Night please God. So Ends



# Remarks onboard Ship Virginia

Tuesday June 1st. 73 days out  
Commences with strong breezes from N by South  
Several sail in sight Middle More Moderate  
breakout for Matter so Ends. Lat 35.26 N

Long 68.53 W

Wednesday June 2d



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Strong Breezes from the same quarter at 8  
A M saw Sperm Whales 2 pts on Weather Bow  
going quick to windward. Tacked ship for  
them! but of no young so Ends Lat 37.58 N  
Long 70.07 W

75 Thursday June 3d

This day commences with N West Wind  
Moderate. Middle part Wind from West latter S. West.  
set Steering sails. set up head stays.

Lat 37.51 North

2 sail in sight bound East

Long 70.19 West

76 Friday June 4th

This day commences with fresh breezes  
from S. S. West all sail set thick weather at 3 PM  
spoke a sch Bound to Portland at 6 PM saw 2 pilot  
boats Fired the gun for Pilot at 8 PM saw Monitor  
light bearing N N East. Long 72.8 West

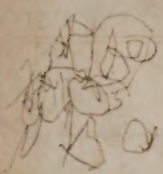
77 Saturday June 5th

Moderate light wind from N West at 5 AM  
took a Pilot at 8 AM Wind hauled to W S West  
set Steering sails and the Anchors of the Vess  
at 1 PM came

onboard

78. Sun





Laura Jan. 11 - 1870

18 1870  
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1878

Miss Wilcox please excuse Laura  
for being late and oblige  
Her mother  
Ellen

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Miss Wilcox please excuse Laura for being late  
as I need her

19  
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Dear

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*The Ocean Queen*



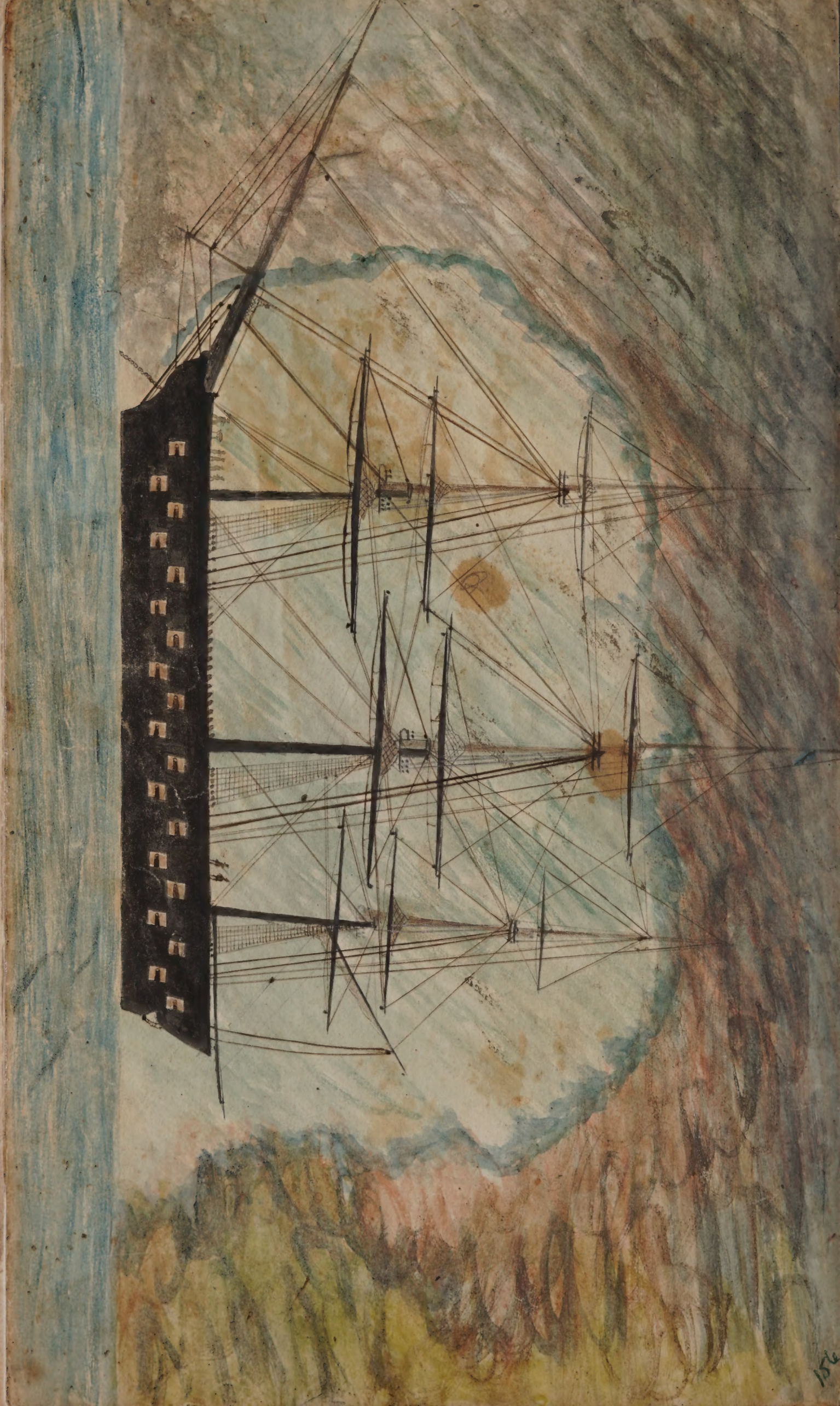
*Ocean Queen*





Dear J. Johnson  
Oxford Mass.









*On Stone by E. J. Pinkerton*

*Drawn expressly for the Ladies Garland*  
Antioch in Syria.

*P. S. Duval's Little Phil*

On Stone by E. J. Purkayeston.

1843



Whose been here since  
I've been gone?

who<sup>2</sup> been here 2 once

Go been gone

istad de Corrientes

1848

1911



Full many a flower is born to blush unseen

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